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## ALL OFFICERS DIE WITH SHIP

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

MONTEVIDEO, TO-DAY.

IT IS NOW BELIEVED, ON THE BASIS OF REPORTS FROM ARGENTINIAN WARSHIPS HOVERING IN THE VICINITY, THAT ALL THE OFFICERS OF THE "ADMIRAL GRAF SPEE" CHOSE, WITH THEIR COMMANDER, CAPTAIN LANDSDORP, TO DIE WITH THEIR SHIP WHEN THE POCKET-BATTLESHIP WAS SCUTTLED BY INTERNAL EXPLOSIONS SHORTLY AFTER SEVEN O'CLOCK (MONTEVIDEO TIME) LAST NIGHT.

She slipped out of harbour barely 50 minutes before the expiry of the time limit, and was under the waves by 7.35 p.m., three hours later, as the result of three explosions which sent parts of the ship skyrocketing into the air.

She went down within seconds of the third explosion which shook the whole ship visibly and apparently occurred below the water-line.

The whole drama was observed from two Argentinian warships and Uruguayan aeroplanes which cruised around the estuary of the Rio de la Plata to see that territorial rights were observed. She went down five miles off the coast just outside Argentinian territorial waters.

That it was the intention of Captain Landsdorp to blow up his ship was revealed by the fact that the "Admiral Graf Spee" was followed out of Montevideo by a German merchant ship, the Tacoma, which picked up the crew of the battleship after they had taken to the boats.

**"CEASE WORK" ORDER**

The Havas correspondent who cruised round the "Graf Spee" yes-

terday afternoon reports how he observed obedience to a sudden order to cease repair work on the hull. Labourers who were working on the ship laid down their tools and were taken ashore.

The "Cease Work" order is said to have followed a visit by the British Minister to the Uruguayan Foreign Office with a Note from the British Government, the contents of which are not revealed.

Shortly afterwards, however, it was learned that the Government had decided not to extend the time limit for the Graf Spee's departure.

**BERLIN REPORT**

(Confirmation of this is apparently contained in a Havas report from Berlin carrying an official announcement by D.N.B. stating that the Graf Spee's captain decided to scuttle his ship after Uruguay had refused to grant the ship further delays for repairs).

Right up to the last moment, apparently, Captain Landsdorp hoped to repair his ship sufficiently to encourage a desperate attempt to break through the ring of Allied warships off the estuary, but, efforts to obtain further concession of time having failed, the decision to sink the battleship was taken, in view of Hitler's order that a second sea battle was not to be risked.—Havas.

Buenos Aires, To-day.

A radio message from the Argentine sloop "Independencia" announced that Captain Landsdorp committed suicide when his ship blew up.—Havas.

## NEW GERMAN MENACE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Observers are of opinion that the Germans will probably take action against Scandinavia in the near future.

Such action will be determined firstly by the necessity for support to the Soviet, whose assistance is necessary for the Reich and which at present is losing face in the Finnish campaign.

The German action would allow the Soviet to deal more easily with Finland.

Secondly, Germany does not wish to let Russia grab Scandinavia's general riches, and wants to get Sweden's iron ore while she is unable to prevent Russia from occupying Finland's nickel mines.—Havas.

## EIGHT DOCTORS SENT TO FALKLANDS

Buenos Aires, To-day.

It is learned that eight doctors have been sent to the Falkland Isles from the Argentine to attend the wounded of H.M.S. Exeter.

The disabled cruiser has now arrived safely in the British naval base in the Falklands.

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## 40,000 KILLED IN RED ARMY

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Amsterdam, To-day.

According to a press report at least 40,000 Soviet troops have been killed and 100,000 are suffering from frozen limbs in the Finnish hostilities.

The frozen earth, which is as hard as stone, is preventing burial, and terrible epidemics are feared when the snow melts.

The Finnish soldiers are submitted to constant strain, while the Russian tactics apparently consist of sending weakly fresh troops regardless of losses.—Havas.



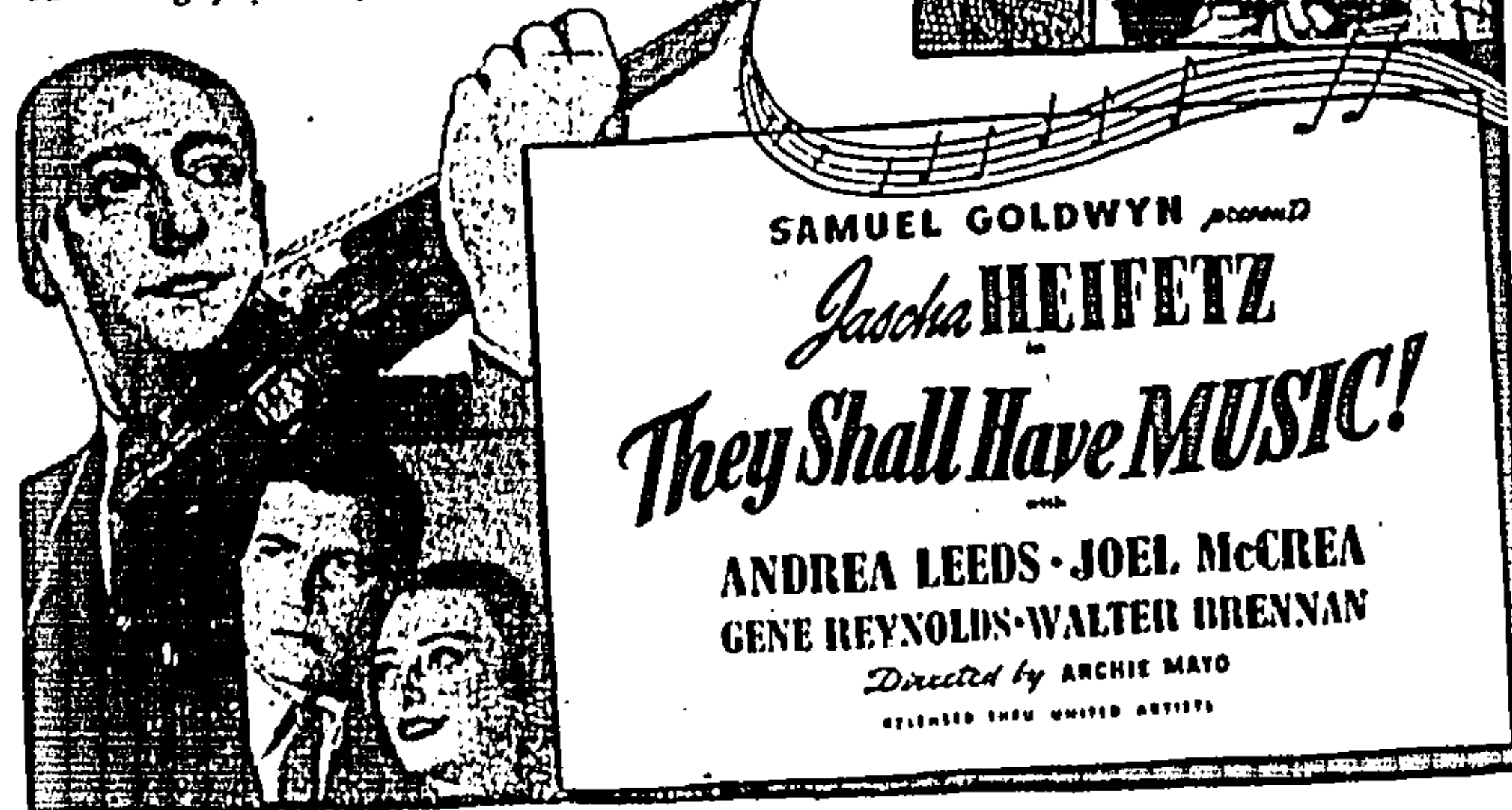
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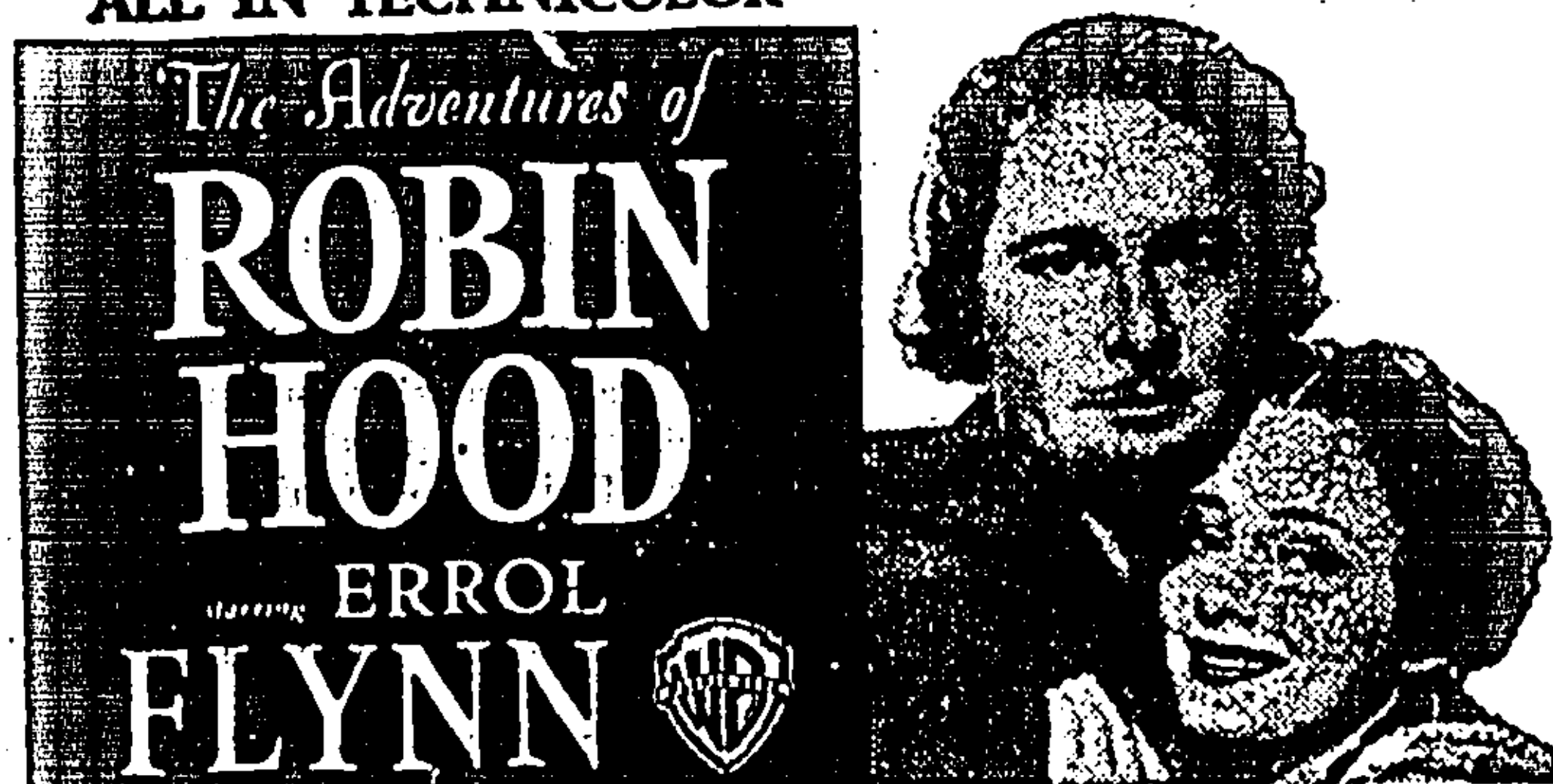
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# LIVELINESS ON WESTERN FRONT

Paris, To-day.

THE WESTERN FRONT is showing signs of increasing liveliness.

Further details of Saturday's raid on a French post east of the Moselle show it was of an important character and well-prepared.

A German company, which was probably reinforced by additional machine-gunners, launched a spirited attack, finally forcing entrance to the post and taking two prisoners.

When the French re-entered the post they found the body of a German non-commissioned officer, two machine-guns and one sub-machinegun.

This was taken, in the absence of news to the contrary, to mean that the Germans took their wounded with them.

The Germans were also active of the Vosges Forest, sending out a number of patrols which operated till nightfall.

These operations, according to latest information, were without result.—Reuter.

selle, and it was repulsed with heavy loss, after sharp hand-to-hand fighting in which the French resorted to the bayonet after hand grenade attacks.

Two French soldiers were captured by the raiding Germans, but later they managed to escape and returned to their lines.—Reuter.

## THRILLING CLOSE QUARTERS BATTLE

Paris, To-day.

A semi-official statement gives a thrilling account of hand-to-hand fighting between French and German troops in a dawn raid by German reconnaissance units.

The Germans attacked in unusual strength, for this type of operation, over 200 men advancing under the cover of a protective barrage of artillery and machine-gun fire.

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## 21 DEATH SENTENCES IN BANGKOK TRIAL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")  
Bangkok, To-day.

The tribunal yesterday sentenced to death 21 participants in the plot against the security of the State which was discovered early this year.

The death sentence on the two leaders, Prince Ragbit of Jainal and Lt.-Gen. Phya Devshastin, was commuted to life imprisonment.

Twenty-two others were also sentenced to life imprisonment and a few others to lesser terms.

The Premier, in a broadcast, stressed the necessity to deal severely with the rebels, who intended to overthrow the regime.

He added that the Government intended to achieve economic and social reforms, foster education and decrease public charges.—Havas.

## WEATHER EXPERTS MOVING TO LAUSANNE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")  
BERNE, TO-DAY.

THE INTERNATIONAL METEOROLOGICAL ASSOCIATION, CREATED IN 1878 IN UTRECHT, HOLLAND, HAS DECIDED TO TRANSFER ITS HEADQUARTERS TO LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND.

The Association is a grouping of 127 affiliated meteorological organisations from all over the world from which leaders gather in conference once every few years.

The International Meteorological Committee works within this Association.—Havas.

## INGOTS STOLEN

Copper ingots valued at \$252 were stolen from the National Automotive and Accessories Sales Company, in Kowloon, during last week.

## PEARL RIVER CLOSED AT NOON TO-DAY

THE PEARL RIVER IS NOW CLOSED ONCE MORE TO SHIPPING OTHER THAN JAPANESE, AND WILL REMAIN CLOSED UNTIL DECEMBER 31.

The last foreign ship to make the journey up the river, it is understood, was an American gunboat which sailed a couple of hours before daylight this morning, and was due in Canton before noon.

Announcing the closing of the river, the Japanese authorities stated that it was "for military reasons."

The "Fatshan" will remain in Hong Kong until the river is re-opened.

DOES NOT APPLY TO SHIPS OF JAPAN!

Canton, To-day.

The announcement that the Pearl River would remain closed to all shipping from yesterday until the end of the year does not apply to Japanese vessels, it is reliably learned.

Japanese shipping companies are continuing their regular schedule of sailings to and from Macao.—Reuter

## TOY PISTOL BURGLAR

Before Mr. T. J. Houston this morning, Cheung Kwok-hing, 23, was charged with stealing a wallet from room No. 309, Tai Chung Wah Boarding House, and with possession of instruments fit for unlawful purpose.

Defendant climbed from his room to his victim's room, carrying a toy pistol and an imitation dagger at about 3 o'clock on Saturday morning.

Defendant said he carried the pistol to scare the occupants if they shouted.

He was sentenced to nine months' hard labour and recommended for banishment.

Detective Sergeant J. Forrest prosecuted.

## WESTERN FRONT COMMUNIQUE

Paris, To-day.

Last night's communique states that there has been reduced activity during the day, there being nothing of importance to report.—Reuter.

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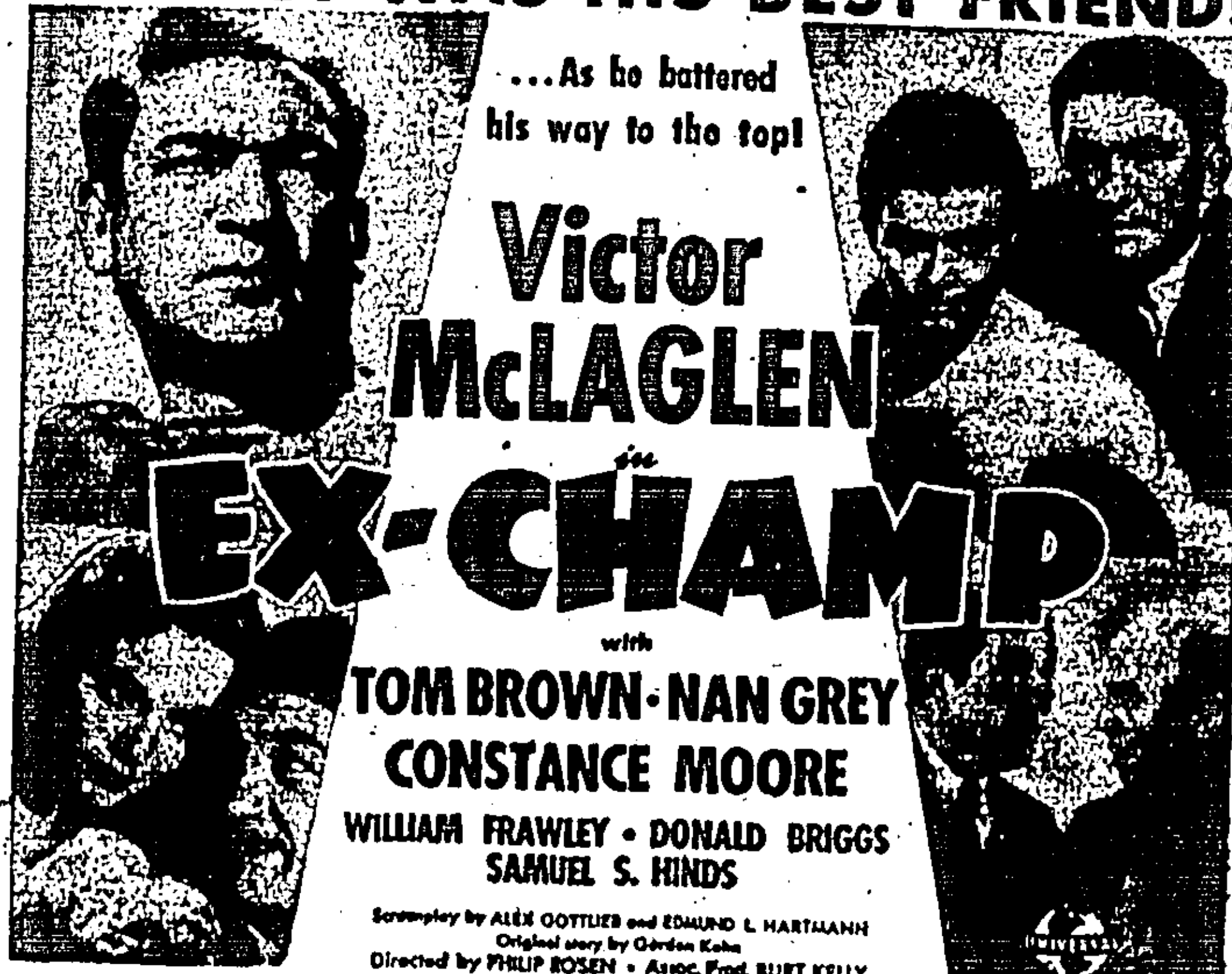
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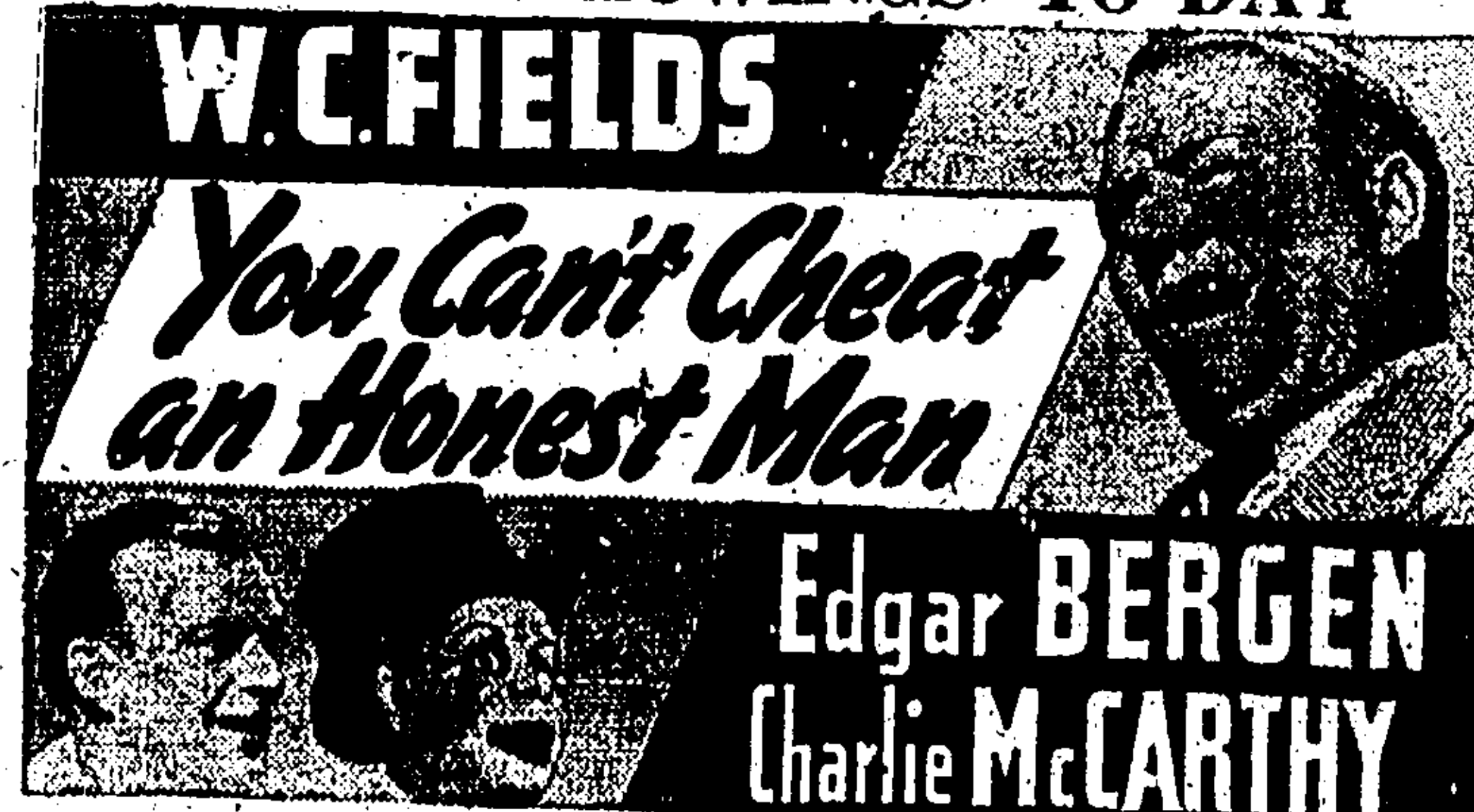
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# SOVIET ATTACK HALTED

## Advances In Petsamo Region Brought To End

### HEAVY FIGHTING ON ALL MAIN FRONTS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Oslo, To-day.

IT IS REPORTED FROM Helsinki that the Finns have halted the first Soviet mass offensive on the strongly fortified line just south of Salmijaervi. The Finns are now preparing to face a second Soviet wave. —Havas.

## SOVIET ATTACKS REPULSED

Helsinki, To-day.

A Finnish communique says the advance continues slowly on the Salmijaervi front.

Soviet attacks in the Karelian Isthmus were repulsed and heavy losses inflicted on the Russian battalions at Loimola.

It is semi-officially announced that 176 Russian tanks have been destroyed or captured since the war began. —Reuter.

## PARIS REPORTS

Paris, To-day.

Latest news here regarding the progress of the war in Finland shows that the Finns are successfully resisting in the Karelian Isthmus.

Near Lake Ladoga the Soviet attacks were repulsed.

In the north the Russians are making headway in their attempt to cut the country in two.

At least two Russian columns are active with this aim in view, and opinion here is that they will be dangerous to the future Finnish defence if they continue to make the present headway. —Reuter.

## ASSAULTS CONTINUE ON MANNERHEIM LINE

HELSINKI, TO-DAY.

THE RED ARMY KEEPS UP MASS INFANTRY ASSAULTS ON THE MANNERHEIM LINE WITHOUT SUCCESS.

Yesterday afternoon, following intense artillery preparation, a violent attack was launched in which their casualties are estimated at over 3,000.

In the extreme north, according to an official bulletin, the enemy has made no important gain since Saturday.

The Finnish Air Force was active on all fronts, bombing Soviet con-

### SOVIET IGNORES APPEAL TO PEACE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow, To-day.

The Soviet continues to ignore the appeal for peace and negotiations broadcast by the Finnish Foreign Minister, M. Tanner, and requesting the Soviet Foreign Commissar to deliver a radio speech in answer.

Only Soviet reply was the Tass communique asserting that the U.S.S.R. was not waging war against Finland since it had concluded a treaty of friendship with the new "people's government!"

The Soviet aims, the communique added, are not directed against the Finnish people but against the "Mannerheim-Tanner clique" which was the instrument of Britain and France wishing to spread the war in north-eastern Europe. —Havas.

concentrations and columns of mechanized units. —Reuter.

## ROUT NORTH OF LADOGA

Helsinki, To-day.

Finnish troops north of Lake Ladoga yesterday routed a large force of the Red Army, which retreated in disorder. —Reuter.

### FIRST B.E.F. CASUALTIES

London, To-day.

The first casualties in action of the British Expeditionary Force were announced last night, as the result of a clash between patrols in No-Man's-Land.

Only brief details are given, of an incident in which a British raiding party, under an N.C.O., were attacked by German units.

"There were casualties on both sides," the statement concludes. —Reuter.

### BRITAIN TO BUY U.S. SHIPS

Washington, To-day.

Sir Ashley Parks, representative of the British Ministry of Shipping, is, it is understood, head of a delegation in New York which is negotiating for the purchase of a fleet of American cargo vessels. —Reuter.

### ANOTHER APPEAL FOR AID

Helsinki, To-day.

Another appeal to the world for help was made by M. Kallio, the Finnish President, in a broadcast talk to the Finnish Army.

After greeting "the defenders of our independence," the President said that they would see more active help than they have hitherto obtained.

As their cause is the cause of the whole civilized world, they believed that the civilized nations could not leave them to fight alone on this front.

"We do not deny that nearest our hearts are our own homes, land, culture and our whole social system in which we have become rooted and which is now threatened with destruction.

"But it is through these values that we have been able to contribute our service to the world's culture, and therefore we dare hope that these common principles of justice will also be commonly defended."

Mme. Kallio also addressed the nation. —Reuter.

### THROUGH BRIGHT RED-COLOURED SPECTACLES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow, To-day.

"GENEVA IS ALLEGED to have examined the Soviet-Finnish conflict. However, no such conflict exists. The Soviet is not waging war against Finland, which is not threatened."

Such is the information given by the Soviet official paper to its readers yesterday, in the first official outline of the Soviet's views regarding the condemnation of its aggression by the League of Nations.

The journal asserts that Britain and France staged the "Geneva show," which was meant to dissimulate their Imperialistic aims.

"While the U.S.S.R. has signed with the Finnish Democratic Government a Treaty guaranteeing the Finnish people their independence and an increase of their national territory, Britain and France manoeuvre thus."

"Pravda" concludes: Paris and London have made the League of Nations a war weapon for themselves. Russia is continuing her policy of peace and assistance to the Finnish people. —Havas.

### FRENCH GRANT LOAN TO CHINA

Kunming, To-day.

The general manager of the Szechuen-Yunnan Railway called on the Governor of Yunnan on Saturday to submit a report on the French railway loan.

The Yunnan daily newspaper, in an editorial yesterday stated: "This is the first time that China has enjoyed such a loan."

"The confidence shown by France may lead to similar successes with other countries." —Reuter.



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Berne, To-day.

A decree published in the German official Gazette on December 12 provides for the confiscation of the entire fortune and properties of Herr Thyssen, the famous German industrial magnate, at present residing in the canton of Ticino, in Switzerland.

The measure applies to Herr Thyssen's private belongings, industrial assets and investments.

Ironically enough the confiscation is made under the decree of July, 1933 on the "seizure of Communist property."

Herr Thyssen fled recently from Germany. On crossing the Swiss border he wired to Hitler saying: "I gave you my fortune to fight Communism, not to support it."

Herr Thyssen had been one of the first supporters of the Nazi Party and lent large sums to Hitler.—Havas.

## "PIE IN THE SKY"

New York, To-day.

In an editorial dealing with the effects of the British blockade, the "New York Times" says that the great levelling process in Germany is beginning to seem more and more like the Soviet economy.

In both countries, the Governments offer their people "pie in the sky" but lay all present emphasis upon the necessity for tightening one's belt.—Reuter.

## PARIS STUDENTS PARADE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

Pro-Finnish demonstrations were staged by university students in many streets of the Latin Quarter yesterday, the warmest sympathy being shown by the population.

Similar demonstrations occurred in front of the Finnish Legation.—Havas.

## JAPAN ON NAZI-SOVIET RELATIONS

TOKYO, YESTERDAY.

FUTURE SOVIET-GERMAN RELATIONS SEEM DELICATE AND COMPLEX, PARTICULARLY REGARDING THE FINNISH AND BALTIC ISSUES, MR. KURODA, SECRETARY OF THE JAPANESE EMBASSY IN MOSCOW, IS REPORTED TO HAVE TOLD REPORTERS ON HIS RETURN FROM A TRIP TO GERMANY AND RUSSIA.

He added that Russia's attitude towards Japan, however, appeared to have taken a turn for the better, and concrete negotiations for conclusion of a commercial treaty between the two countries would be started sometime next month.

Mr. Kuroda said anti-war sentiment was unexpectedly strong in Europe, and large-scale military operations were unlikely.—Reuter.

## GERMAN-RUMANIAN NEGOTIATIONS

### NO PROGRESS POSSIBLE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Bucharest, To-day.

Despite lengthy negotiations the German and Rumanian trade delegations so far have failed to sign a new trade agreement, owing to difficulties the nature of which is not disclosed.

German quarters hope an agreement will be signed shortly, but business quarters point out that the negotiations cover both German imports and exports besides stabilising the exchange rate of the reichsmark and the lei.—Havas.

## WILD DOG'S ATTACK ON INDIAN P.C.

REPORTS THAT WILD DOGS ROAM THE HILLSIDES NEAR THE TYTAM RESERVOIR, ARE OFFICIALLY CONFIRMED.

About 6 p.m. on Saturday an Indian constable, attached to the Stanley Police Station, on duty near Tytam, was attacked by one of the wild dogs.

The dog jumped at him and its weight threw the constable to the ground. The dog then snapped at the constable's leg but fled when the policeman drew his revolver.

The constable returned to the Stanley Police Station, and after making a report was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital for treatment to his leg.

## PEIPING RIOT

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.

REPORTS FROM PEIPING STATE THAT ON THURSDAY, A SERIOUS CLASH OCCURRED BETWEEN THE POLICE AND CIVILIANS.

The fight lasted over an hour during which stones, sticks and pieces



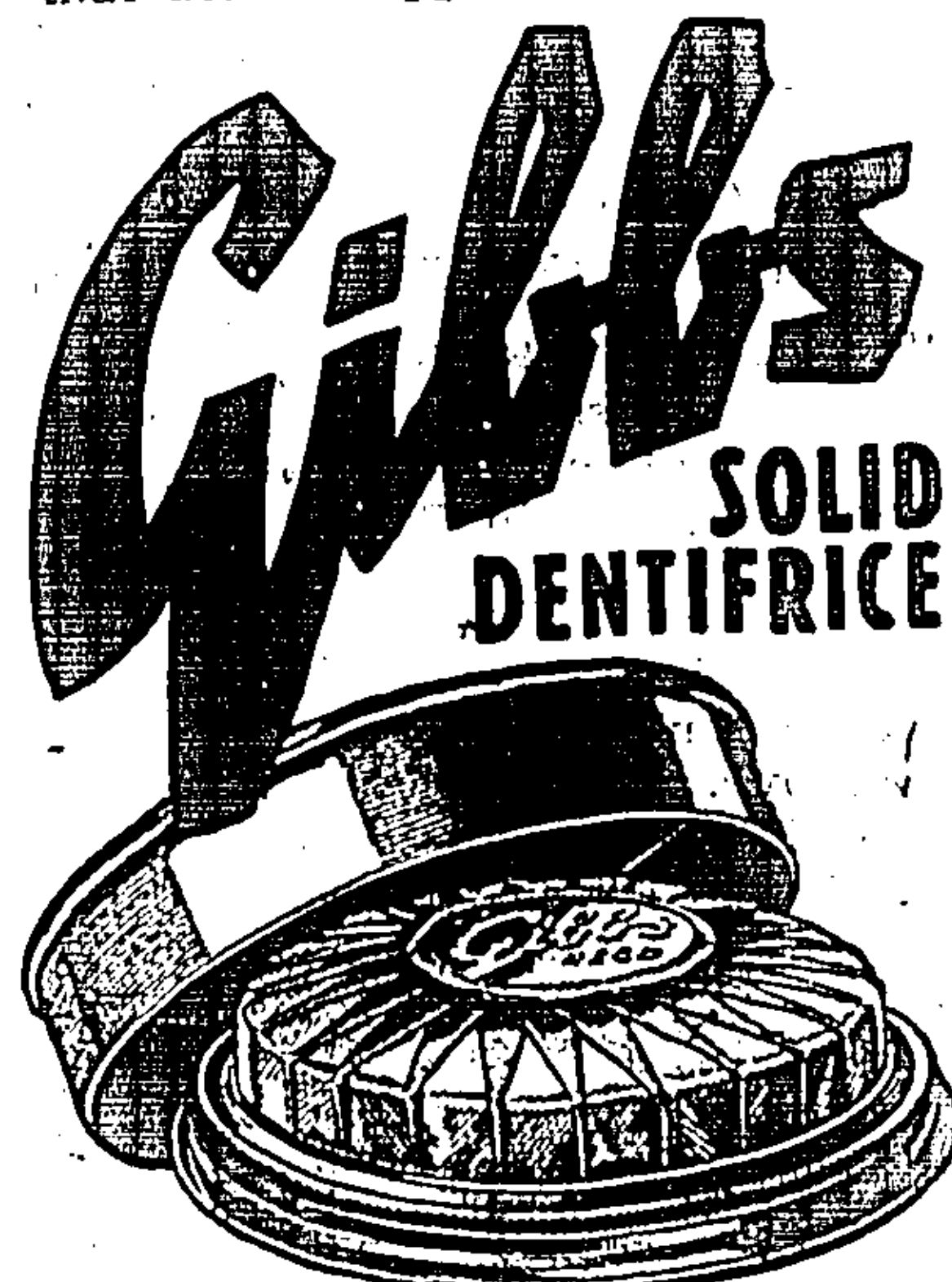
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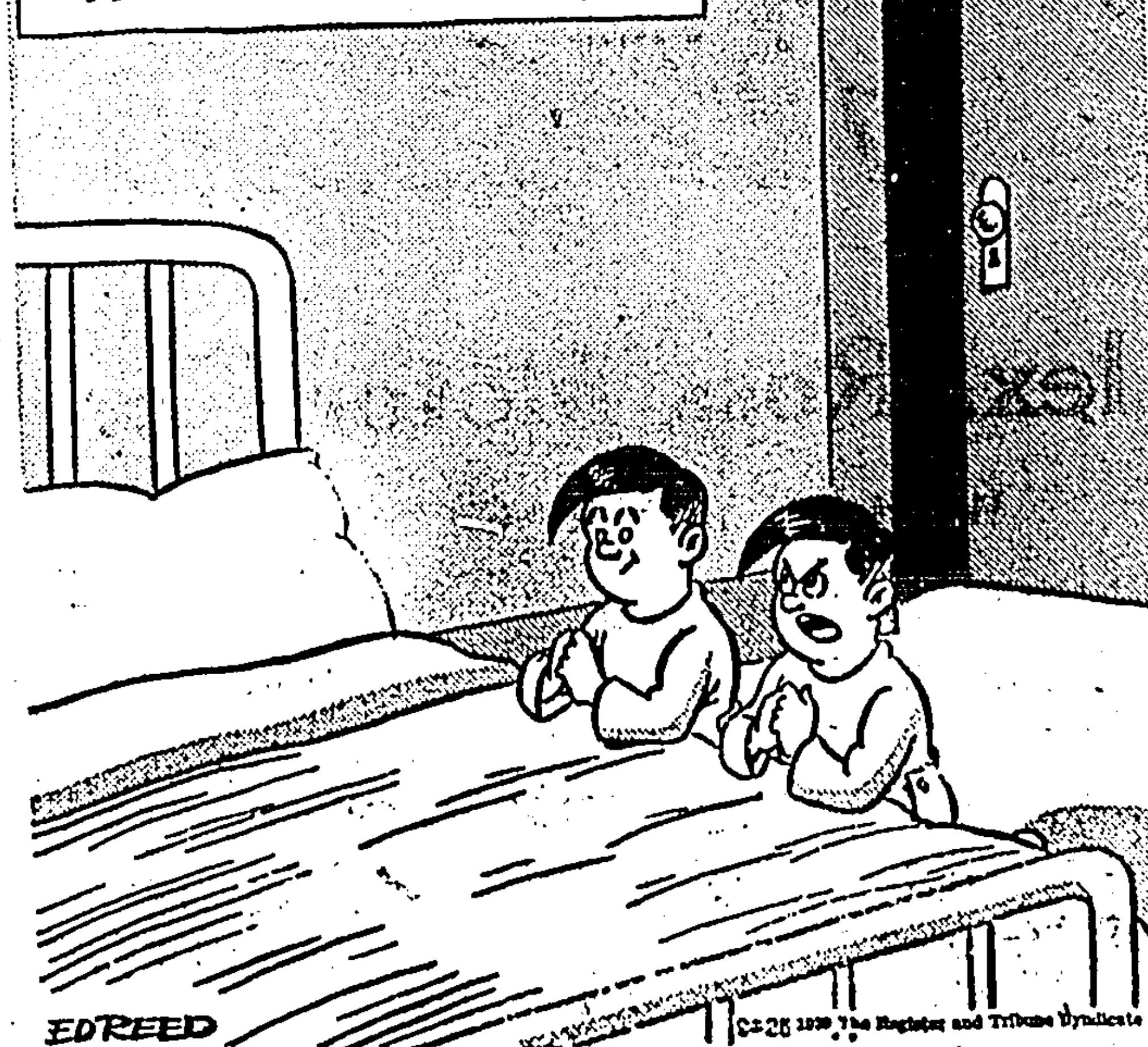
The crowd was eventually dispersed, the police arresting about 15 persons, alleged to be members of the Blue Shirt organisation.

Japanese officials here decline to comment on the report.—Our Own Correspondent.

## OFF THE RECORD

By Ed Reed

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# ITALY WAS NOT READY FOR WAR: DISCLOSURES IN SPEECH OF COUNT CIANO

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Rome, To-day.

**COMMENTING ON Count Ciano's speech** political quarters emphasise that the Foreign Minister clearly stated that the outbreak of war was contrary to Italian intentions, since the Italo-German military treaty provided that the signatories did not provoke war for three years at least.

Italy was therefore surprised when Hitler provoked war by declining a compromise with Poland.

Count Ciano's utter silence over Finland is widely commented on, and is interpreted as indication that Italy does not wish to "tread on Germany's toes."

It is pointed out that Count Ciano refrained from direction mention of the Allies or the new blockade of German exports, merely stating Italy was determined to protect her interests and prestige.—Havas.

## GERMAN PRESSURE DETECTED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington, To-day.

The absence of reference to the Soviet-Finnish dispute in Count Ciano's speech is attributed here to German pressure.

It is also believed that Moscow requested Germany to make such pressure on Rome.

Count Ciano's assertion that Italy had decided to refrain from war for three years is interpreted as a con-

fession that both Germany and Italy agreed to pursue a common policy of minor aggressions until they feel powerful enough to dominate their principal opponents.—Havas.

## GERMAN PRESS VERY RETICENT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

COPENHAGEN, TO-DAY.

BERLIN CORRESPONDENTS OF DANISH NEWSPAPERS STATE THAT THE GERMAN NEWSPAPERS ARE RESTRICTING THE SPACE GIVEN TO COUNT CIANO'S SPEECH TO THE BRIEFEST EXCERPTS.

No comment on the speech made in any section of the German press and no paper published that part of the speech alluding to friendly Italo-Turkish relations.

This neglect is attributed to an impression in Copenhagen that Turko-Russian relations will soon be taking a turn for the worse.—Havas.

## AMERICAN TRADE DRIVE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington, To-day.

An important step towards the development of inter-American trade has been reached by the Sub-Committee of the Inter-American Trade Conference, which is sitting here.

The Sub-Committee has decided that each member should study a particularly commercial problem.

The Brazilian delegate is thus studying the organisation of a permanent exhibition in New York of Latin American products for United States buyers.

The Chilean representative is entrusted with research work on the development and organisation of South American industries and mineral resources which do not compete with American interests.

The Cuban delegate is studying the extension of trade agreements and the lowering of tariffs; and

The Nicaraguan delegate is devoting his attention to competition by belligerents and trying to find means to protect Latin-American products from them.—Havas.

## RUSSIA'S LACK OF OIL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

AMSTERDAM, TO-DAY.

RUSSIA IS NOT ONLY UNABLE TO EXPORT OIL BUT MUST EVEN IMPORT IT, THE "NIEUWE ROTTERDAMSCHER COURANT" REPORTS.

The newspaper points out that the last Communist Party Congress in Moscow urged serious economies in fuel, the use of ersatz and disclosed that the Foreign Trade Commissariat was trying to import oil from the United States.—Havas.

## LEADER OF BRITISH JEWISH BOARD

London, To-day.

Professor Zelig Bordetsky, the Zionist leader, has been elected President of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, in succession to Neville Laski, who retired recently.—Reuter.

## NAZI PLANES NEAR THE EAST COAST

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry has announced that enemy aircraft appeared yesterday at several points off the East Coast during the late afternoon.

The anti-aircraft guns along the coast fired for a short time in the Humber District.

Fighters engaged the enemy and pursued them out to sea. No air raid warning was sounded.—Reuter.

## SOVIET DEMANDS DENIED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

TALLINN, TO-DAY.

RETURNING FROM MOSCOW GENERAL LAIDONER, COMMANDER OF THE ESTHONIAN FORCES, DECLARED IN A BROADCAST THAT THE SOVIET HAD NOT MADE ANY DEMANDS ON ESTHONIA IN CONNECTION WITH THE FINNISH AFFAIR.

He added the Soviet leaders had assured him they would respect the terms of the Soviet-Esthonian mutual assistance pact.

General Laidoner concluded by expressing the hope that Esthonia would be able to remain outside the European conflict.—Havas.

## CHINESE OFFENSIVE SUCCESSES

Fancheng, Hupeh, To-day.

Chinese drives in central and north Hupeh continue to be crowned with success.

In the Suhsien-Yingshan sector, the Chinese have regained Kucheng, Huangchiachih, Sianhsiachi, Sanyangshan and Kuenshan.

The Japanese communications are cut. On the north Hunan front, Wulipai and Yunchi, southwest of Yanglowsze, on the Canton-Hankow Railway above Yoyang, were recaptured yesterday morning. The Japanese retreated to Lingsiang.

To the southeast of Yoyang, Chinese forces regained Tsikiapu and Tang-waipailou. A Japanese company was wiped out.—Central News.

## L.C.C. WAR COSTS

London, Yesterday.

Civil defence expenditure of the London County Council for the first six months of the war to March 31st next, is estimated at £6,000,000.—British Wireless.



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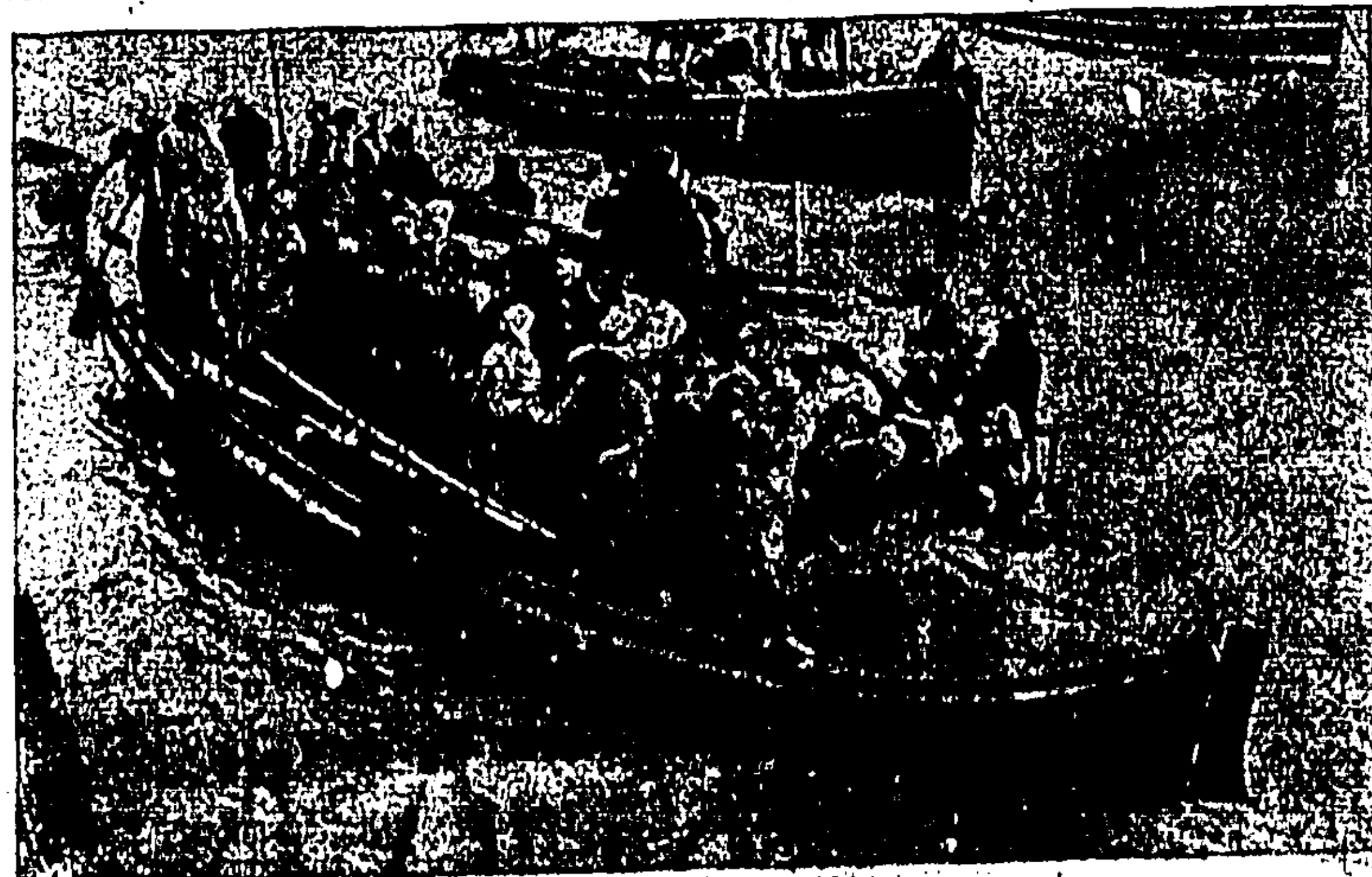
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# "HITLER SPEAKS"

## The Most Remarkable Story Of The German Fuehrer That Has Ever Been Written

### "WHEN I WAGE WAR, FORSTER"

DR. RAUSCHNING was one of Hitler's chief leaders for several years but split from him when he realized that Hitler was a power for evil and not for good.

He wrote the most famous exposure of Nazism—"Germany's Revolution of Destruction." For daring to publish that book he was deprived of his Danzig citizenship and all his property there confiscated.

It was he who first (in that book) told that Hitler would make a German-Soviet alliance.

In this chapter of "Hitler Speaks" and in others to follow, Dr. Rauschning's conversations with Hitler are quoted. These conversations took place in the years 1932-34, immediately before and for two years after the Nazi regime seized power.

The writer usually jotted them down under the immediate influence of what he had heard. Much is practically verbatim.

### I: ON WAR WITHOUT MERCY

"The next war will be quite different from the last world war. Infantry attacks and mass formations are obsolete. Interlocked frontal struggles lasting for years on petrified fronts

will not return. I guarantee that." Hitler gazed fixedly across from the little glass verandah of his mountain eyrie to the precipitous wall opposite.

"We shall regain the superiority of free operations."

"Is it true, Herr Hitler, that Germany has prepared secret inventions which will break down every resistance, inventions against which even the French Maginot Line will be defenceless?"

The Danzig Gauleiter (district leader) Albert Forster indicated by a sign to me that he had now led Hitler into his favourite subject.

"All armies have secret inventions. I am sceptical as to their value," Hitler returned.

"But the penetrative power of our new S-munitions. Isn't it true that electrical warfare yields entirely new possibilities of attack?" Forster persisted. "And the new poison gases and bacterial warfare? Will bacteria be used as a weapon in the next war?"

"A nation denied its rights may use any weapon, even bacterial warfare." Hitler's voice rose. "I have no scruples, and I will use whatever weapon I require."

"The new poison gases are horrible. But there is no difference between a

slow death in barbed-wire entanglements and the agonised death of a gassed man or one poisoned by bacteria.

"In the future whole nations will stand against each other, not merely hostile armies. We shall undermine the physical health of our enemies as we shall break down their moral resistance. I can well imagine that there is a future for bacterial warfare. We have not quite perfected it yet, but experiments are being made. I hear they are very promising."

"But the use of this weapon is limited. Its significance lies in wearing down the enemy before the war. Our real wars will, in fact, all be fought before military operations begin. I can quite imagine that we might control Britain in this way. Or America."

"You said that we should poison the enemy with bacteria even before the war starts. How can that be done in peace time?" Forster asked.

"Through agents, harmless commercial travellers. That is the surest method—at the moment the only effective one." Hitler replied.

"The results would not be immediate. It would take several weeks, if not longer, for an epidemic to appear. Perhaps we shall introduce bacteria at the height of the war, at the moment when the powers of resistance of the enemy are beginning to fail."

Our conversation then dealt with some details of a future gas and bacterial war. We sat in the rather narrow verandah of Wachenfeld House in the Obersalzberg. Hitler's magnificent Alsatian sheepdog lay at his feet. It was a magical August morning.

We spoke of the result of the war, and the tragical turn of all German victories.

"We shall not capitulate—no, never," Hitler exclaimed. "We may be destroyed, but if we are, we shall drag a world with us—a world in flames."

A young leader of the S.A. broke

#### WHAT HITLER LOOKS LIKE

Hitler is not physically attractive. Every one knows that today. His look is staring or dead, and lacks the brilliance and sparkle of genuine animation.

The timbre of his harsh, uncommon voice is repellent to the North German. The tone is full, but forced, as though his nose were blocked. This voice, guttural and threatening, has become familiar to the whole world. It embodies the torment of these years.

I have noticed that Hitler made the strongest impression on such people as were either highly suggestible or somewhat effeminate or accustomed by their education and social background to formalism and hero-worship.

Hitler's physical appearance certainly does not heighten the impression made by his personality.

A receding forehead, with the lank hair falling over it; a short, unimposing stature, with limbs somehow ill-fitting and awkward; an expressionless mouth beneath the little brush of a moustache—such are the traits of the outer man.

His only charm lies perhaps in his hands, which are strikingly well-shaped and expressive.

the silence by saying that it was the superior armament of our enemies that had brought about the unhappy conclusion of the last war. "It is not arms that decide, but the men behind them—always," Hitler rebuked him.

"But surely new inventions and superior weapons do decide the fate of nations and social classes? Is not that what you meant, my Fuehrer, when you said the next war would be quite different from the last one?"

"No, strategy does not change, at least not through technical inventions. That is quite wrong," Hitler's manner became lively.

"Has anything changed since the (Continued on Page 15)

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## MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

### VERMONT LIKES BRITISH HUMOUR

We have never accused the British of being a humorous race but there seems to be an element of humour in the way British advertisers are taking advantage of war slogans to promote sales. For instance one book seller advises Londoners to "read while they raid." A shampoo manufacturer advises women not to "black-out the highlights in your hair."

Another advertisement tells how to keep hands soft while digging trenches and a portable heater is described as just the thing to warm air-raid shelters! Sounds almost like the American brand of humour.—"The United Opinion," Bradford, Vt.

### NO PEACE YET

For before anything nearer peace can be won there must be a removal of war's causes. What are they? The immediate cause was the invasion of Poland. And certainly no peace would last which merely ratified the German-Russian crime against the Poles. The Allies have said that no peace can be made until there is a German Government they can trust. Short of an overturn within Germany which would insure that new aggressions would not recur at each half year, they see no hope of security.

That is as far as official peace talk has gone. Unofficially there are people in the Allied countries who would like to see a considered attempt to make peace even with the present regime in Germany while creating conditions that would deprive it of power to renew the anarchy it has produced in Europe. That does not appear possible. First, consent to disarmament and a giving up of spoils would be required. And those who have studied the Hitler regime most closely maintain that it could not live without continued agitation. Undoubtedly economic warfare, for which the Allies are partly to blame, is one of the underlying causes. But better economic conditions do not appear possible until a real change has come in Germany. Effective answer must come first from Berlin.

found in Poland. The soldierly quality of her troops has been harshly tested through the centuries, they are well-trained, well-equipped and certainly not unskilled either in the use of modern arms or in the age-old tactics of defensive warfare, and the independence of the country being threatened, Finland's sons may be confidently expected to offer the most stubborn resistance to Russia's encroachments. Whether it will be possible to evade war at the eleventh hour only the future can tell. At the moment it does not seem likely, for in the furtherance of Russian plans for northern Europe whatever concessions Finland may make now will only establish precedents for further requirements to be advanced in the future. If, therefore, they decide to offer resistance to Russia who shall blame them for doing what their manhood and national dignity require?—"North China Daily News."

### AFTER THE WAR

When the war is over there will be a fresh and even greater attempt to build a world order. The League organisation is already there, and through it can be done whatever the nations are willing to let it do. Its "Report" for the last year mentions the withdrawal of the foreigners serving with the late Spanish Republic. It couched them, and no one doubted when the League Commission declared its moral conviction that the movement from the fighting lines was complete. In the League building at Geneva the Spanish works of art were held in safety. No one can estimate how much further anguish China has been spared from the epidemics which go with war by the work and medical materials of a League Commission. The "Report's" account of the work for health, the campaign against opium, the care of refugees, the surveys of impediments to world trade show something of its present many-sided activities. By themselves they justify the League's existence, but they show also what vast advances could be made if national Governments became convinced that the good of all could be would by acting together and spending together through the League.—"Guardian Weekly."

### THE INVISIBLE PORTRAIT

But it's invisible only to good old Uncle Sam.

It's an "As-others-see-him" picture—the kind that would do him a lot of good if only he could bring himself to face it.

The Uncle sits upon a fence: he made it himself. It's very tall. Compared to it, the Empire State, the Chrysler and the Woolworth buildings are as flat as the bottom of the 1931 depression. And it goes all around his mighty domain, along the Atlantic and the Pacific. Some people call it a tariff wall; but that is only a wee portion of it. For there is a good deal that is mental as well as economic and material about it. It is his Holier-Than-Thou stool, Uncle Sam loves so much to sit upon and look out on the world at large.—Mr. K. Musen.

### HITLER'S THOUGHTS

If Herr Hitler had occasion to complain of the Allied policy of encirclement which could never have injured him had his policies remained pacific, what must he be thinking of the mistakes which he made a few short weeks ago which will in the end reduce Germany to a secondary position vis-a-vis of Russia. That Norway, and Sweden, are watching the situation with considerable anxiety is only natural, for a powerful Russia brought to their doorstep by victory over, and annexation of Finland would constitute a threat to themselves the magnitude of which cannot be over-estimated. Their only rampart is Finland, which may be depended upon to fight to the bitter end if war has to ensue. She will struggle against overwhelming odds, though the terrain will give her certain advantages which may make her a tougher nut to crack than Germany

### TO BE LIVED DOWN

Leaving aside Mr. Borah's thesis that the war is an imperialist "struggle for power," his description is not altogether remote. But Mr. Borah's thesis is also important. He does not like Nazism but he does not trust the British Government; "from the first entrance of Hitler and his theory of government upon the scene in Europe they have had the kindest support of the British Government until the break came over questions of territory and power." He only put extravagantly a common distrust that we have to live down, a distrust that is ready to break out whenever Americans begin to doubt the Government's earnestness in carrying on the war and become restive at what they consider a lack of definiteness in our war aims. This must be kept in mind, and the defeat of Senator Borah and the strict isolationists does not alter it.—"Manchester Guardian."



# GRAF SPEE BLOWN UP

## Scuttled By Commander Outside Montevideo

London, To-day.

**THE GERMAN** pocket-battleship, Admiral Graf Spee, now lies sunk off the Uruguayan coast, some five miles from the entrance to Montevideo harbour, in about 25 feet of water.

This is disclosed in an official Admiralty communique issued late last night, which adds that the Nazi warship was blown up by two terrific explosions after she had been abandoned by her crew.

The act of self-destruction was ordered by her commander, Captain Landsdorp, some three hours after the Graf Spee had sailed out of Montevideo, apparently ready to run the gauntlet, although Montevideo wireless messages announced that it was the intention of Captain Landsdorp to scuttle his ship.

After leaving Montevideo harbour, the Graf Spee waited at the entrance for some time as though uncertain of the action to be taken. She then proceeded slowly up the Plate Estuary in the direction of Buenos Aires.

Then, unexpectedly, she turned completely about, and coming down the estuary at a fairly high speed, with a large Swastika flag flying gallantly from her main mast, halted about five miles from the nearest shore.

The order was given to the crew to abandon ship, and five minutes after the order had been carried out, with the men standing-off some hundreds of yards saluting, two terrific explosions occurred and she sank within seconds. — Reuter.

### GERMAN ADMISSION

Berlin, To-day.

For the first time, Germany admit 36 killed on board the Graf Spee.

The official German news agency states that according to reports reaching the High Command of the German Army, 36 of the crew of the Graf Spee died in action, six were seriously injured and 53 wounded. — Reuter.

### HERR HITLER'S INSTRUCTIONS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

PARIS, TO-DAY.

THE NEWSPAPER L'OEUVRE ASSETS THAT HERR HITLER PERSONALLY INSTRUCTED CAPTAIN LANDSDORP, COMMANDER OF THE ADMIRAL GRAF SPEE, TO DO HIS UTMOST TO SPARE THE LIVES OF HIS MEN.

Furthermore, the Fuehrer has insisted that the Commander should refrain from any action which may result in a British naval victory, to be later exploited by British propaganda, and also insisted that the Graf Spee be scuttled rather than be sunk by the enemy.

Reports of the presence of German submarines in the vicinity of Montevideo are discounted. — Havas.

### EXTENSIVE REPAIR: WHY?

The ignominious end of the Graf Spee appears to have been contrary to the personal wishes of her commander, otherwise it is difficult to explain the extensive repairs effected on board before her departure.

During all Saturday-Sunday night, the sky in Montevideo harbour was illuminated vividly by electric welders as new plates were affixed to her damaged hull.

The big holes in her control tower were patched up and as she sailed out of harbour, it was difficult, except for an expert, to detect signs of the mauling she received in last Wednesday's naval battle.

### CAPTAIN'S PLAN

Until her sudden right-about in the Rio de la Plata, it was believed that

## URUGUAYAN PROTEST DENIED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Political circles deny that Uruguay has protested to Britain against the violation of the Pan-American safety zone.

It is pointed out that Britain has never admitted the American nation's right to establish the safety zone. Nevertheless Britain would respect it provided the German navy does the same, but Britain could not remain inactive if the presence of German raiders is tolerated in the zone. — Havas.

## EMPIRE AIR TRAINING AGREEMENT

Ottawa, To-day.

The Empire Air Training Agreement was signed yesterday by Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Prime Minister, and Lord Riverdale, head of the British delegation to the Empire Air Conference.

Lord Riverdale also initialled the agreement on behalf of Australia and New Zealand.

The details will be announced later. — Reuter.

### RICE LOOTING IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, To-day.

Looting of rice shops continued yesterday morning but on a smaller scale. Price of rice, in most areas, has been reduced to the S.M.C. fixed rate of \$40 per picul. Several shops have not yet reopened owing to fear of riots. — Our Own Correspondent.

Captain Landsdorp might adhere to his original plan which, it is believed, envisaged a journey to Buenos Aires to gain time while submarines and perhaps other surface craft were ready to join in an action against the Allied armada at the entrance to the Estuary. — Reuter.

## KNIGHTHOOD FOR COMMODORE HARWOOD

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

In recognition of the gallant action of the three British cruisers against the Graf Spee, the King has appointed Commodore Henry H. Harwood Knight Commander of the Bath, while Captain W. E. Parry (H.M.S. Achilles), Captain C. H. L. Woodhouse (H.M.S. Ajax) and Captain F. S. Bell (H.M.S. Exeter) are appointed Companions of the same Order.

Commodore Harwood is also promoted Rear-Admiral.

Commodore Harwood is well-known on the China Station as commander of the cruiser Cumberland in 1928-1929. — Havas.

## BRITISH SHIP HITS MINE, SINKS

BERLIN, TO-DAY.

THE BRITISH STEAMER AMBLE, 1,162 TONS, HAS STRUCK A MINE AND SUNK, ACCORDING TO AN AMSTERDAM DESPATCH TO THE OFFICIAL GERMAN NEWS AGENCY.

The crew, says the report, have been rescued. — Reuter.

\*\*\* The Amble was built by Verschure and Company, Amsterdam, in 1920. Owned by Broomhill Collieries, Ltd., she was registered at Newcastle; she was 230 feet long.

## 61 KILLED IN H.M.S. EXETER

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE CASUALTY TOLL IN H.M.S. EXETER AS A RESULT OF THE BATTLE WITH THE ADMIRAL GRAF SPEE HAS NOW BEEN DISCLOSED BY THE ADMIRALTY.

The official statement reveals a high proportion of killed to wounded. Five officers were killed and three were wounded.

Fifty-six ratings were killed and twenty wounded. — Reuter.

## AN ARRAY OF MIGHT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Montevideo, To-day.

No less than 145,000 tons of Allied warships were lying off the Uruguayan coast waiting for the Graf Spee.

A coastguard vessel reports having seen the cruisers Cumberland and Achilles.

Other warships said to be mounting guard on the horizon were the battleship Barham, and the French battleship Dunkerque. — Havas.

### ARK ROYAL AND RENOWN NOW IN RIO

Rio de Janeiro, To-day.

The Ark Royal and the Renown have arrived in Rio de Janeiro. — Reuter.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Rio de Janeiro, To-day.

It is unconfirmedly reported that the aircraft-carrier Ark Royal and the battle-cruiser Renown have asked permission to refuel at a Brazilian port. — Havas.

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## CHENG HO OUT ON ROUND THE ISLAND TRIAL RUN

WITH SOME 50 TO 60 PEOPLE on board, comprising her crew and a large number of European and Chinese guests, Hong Kong's super-luxury junk Cheng Ho went on her official trials around the Island of Hong Kong yesterday.

Both sail and her two Diesel engines were used, the latter being necessary because of the general lack of wind. This was all to the good, perhaps, because the engine, with their range of 2,000 miles, are one of the chief "safety factors" of the Cheng Ho.

The course of the trial ran from Ah King's Slipway, off Causeway Bay, round through Lyemoun Pass, along south coast of the Island (including a detour into lovely Repulse Bay), through the East Lamma Channel, past Green Island and back to the anchorage through Hong Kong Harbour.

### VISIT OF M.T.B.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Thomas Kilkenny, the bluff, hearty skipper of the junk, a "China Mail" representative accompanied the Cheng Ho on her trials.

He found the Cheng Ho a thoroughly seaworthy and comfortable craft. It is a tribute to Mr. Kilkenny's skill as designer and boat-builder that only one or two small "defects," if one might call them such, came to light, and these can be easily remedied before the craft sails.

The trial was not without incident, however. At one stage when the breeze had practically died down and the engine were being checked over, a naval M.T.B. bore down on the junk at high speed and stopped alongside. Her commander informed those on board that the Cheng Ho was right over one of the Colony's mine-fields!

A pause while everyone took a deep breath, and then the M.T.B. skipper said that it was right. But would the Cheng Ho either go forward or go back?

### COULDN'T TAKE IT

A note of comedy was shortly afterwards introduced by the Slipway carpenters, who had come on the trial partly for amusement and partly to finish off a number of minor odd jobs. As the Cheng Ho rose and fell in the swell just outside Lyemoun Pass, these carpenters, one by one, grew green of countenance, abandoned their tools and lay down on the deck in positions of acute misery!

It was not long, indeed, before the Cheng Ho became a veritable "hospital ship," as landlubbers dropped right and left and crawled off into dark corners to die (as they thought). They were all on their feet, again, however, by the time Repulse Bay was reached.

On the homeward journey, Cheng Ho dipped her American flag (she is registered at New York) to a British warship, and a cheer went up from those on her poop deck as the British cruiser gallantly returned the salute.

### HANDLED WELL

At the head of Cheng Ho's crew are Thomas Kilkenny and Jack Fant (who is on leave from Jardine's.) Both were delighted with the way Cheng Ho

handled on her trials. All those who went on the trial yesterday—and they included a number of American and British naval officers and Captain Petersen, of Hong Kong's other famous junk, the "Pan Jin"—shared with them their conviction that Cheng Ho is destined for a happy and safe voyage via Manila, the Celebes and South Africa to the Bahamas.

Cheng Ho's date of departure has not yet been definitely settled, but she should leave within the next week or ten days. In addition to a large Chinese crew of experienced sailors, she will carry the following:—

Thomas Kilkenny and his nephew, Fenton Kilkenny; Jack Fant; Dan Hubrecht; C. and T. Torre, one of whom will disembark at Manila; Jack MacGruder, son of Commander MacGruder, U.S.N., who will also disembark at Manila; Mrs. J. Archbold; Mr. David Fairchild, who is a member of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and a director of the National Geographic Society, and Mrs. Fairchild; and Mr. Edwin Beckwith, an expert cameraman.

The junk thus has quite a large "passenger" list. Had she been "in business," however, her booking agents could probably have taken on as additional passengers most of the 60 people who were on the trial yesterday—including the press representatives!

## EUROPEANS VICTIMISED

Mrs. Koeppen, of No. 28, Lock Road, at about 6.10 p.m. yesterday, either lost or had stolen, a handbag and contents valued at \$42, in a tramcar in Des Voeux Road Central.

Lieut. Horncastle, R. N., has reported that his cabin door was forcibly opened at about 8 a.m. yesterday, and a sum of \$161 stolen.

A motor car No. 3514 belonging to Mr. Calvert, residing at No. 1, Gap Road, was stolen shortly before 1 p.m. yesterday, from the Connaught Road car park near Queen's Pier.

### THE GENTLE ART OF "SCROUNGING"

Two coolies were fined \$5 or seven day's imprisonment, by Mr. T. J. Houston this morning, for stealing grapes, the property of Getz Brothers.

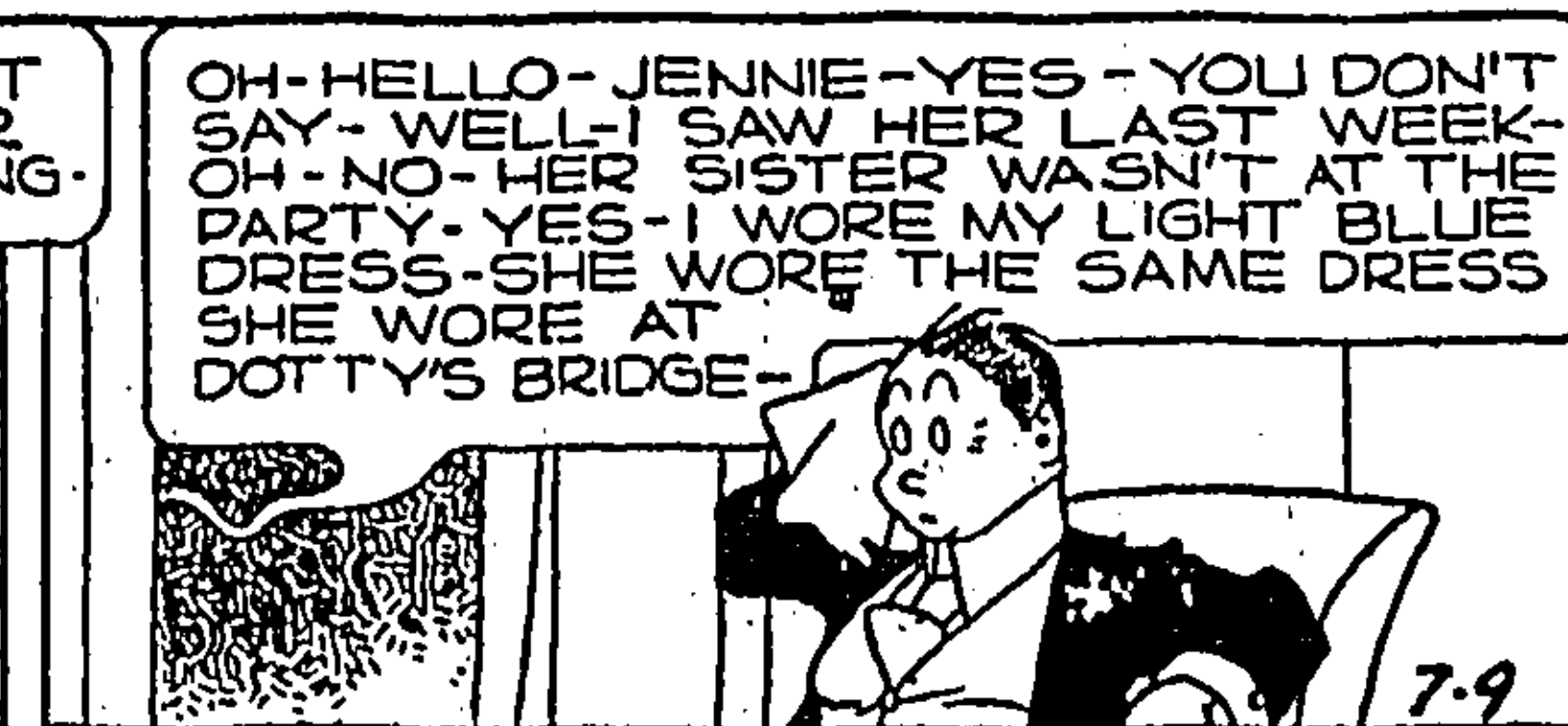
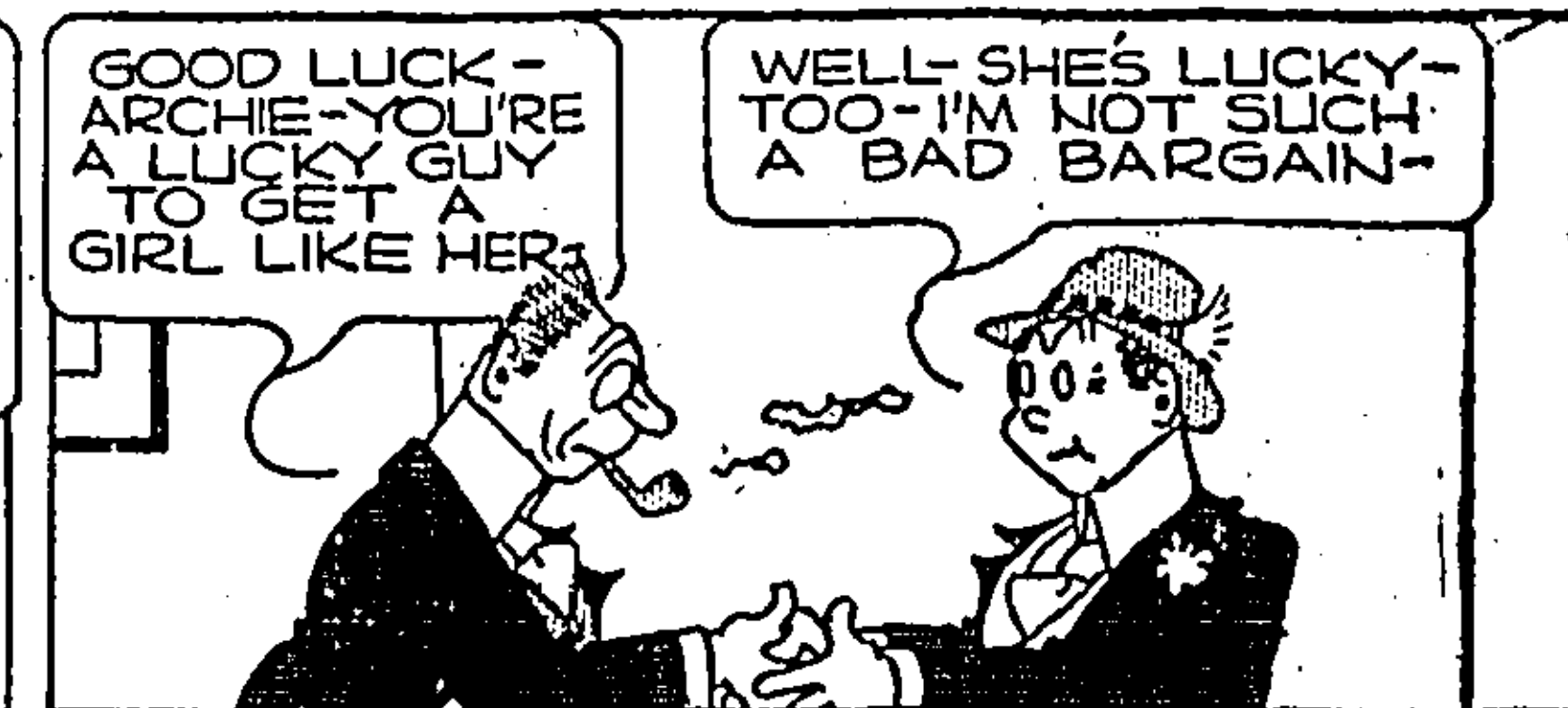
They were alleged to have opened boxes of fresh grapes, in a lane at Bridges Street, and removed grapes from each box entrusted to them for delivery.

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**NEW FIRE-BOAT DEMONSTRATION.**—The "James Braidwood," a speed fire-boat built for the London Fire Brigade was demonstrated on Nov. 28 on the River Thames opposite the Albert Embankment headquarters of the London Fire Brigade. Photo shows—A striking picture of the new boat at speed. (Copyright, Fox).

## BRITAIN'S CONTROL OF THE SEAS

LONDON, YESTERDAY. THE PUBLICITY GIVEN TO THE FATE OF NEUTRAL SHIPS BOUND FOR GREAT BRITAIN AND SUNK BY THE GERMANS, HAS TENDED TO OVERLOOK ALL THE HUNDREDS OF OTHERS WHICH HAVE ARRIVED SAFELY.

A Greek steamer which has just arrived in a British port is only one of many. Her captain had brought her safely from Vancouver.

He stated that the sight in the dock when they arrived showed the falsity of Nazi claims that Britain was cut off.

In the docks, he said, were 60 to 70 vessels of all nations, including five Greek steamers.

Speaking in the foreign news broadcast of the B.B.C., the captain told of the precautions he took on the way to Britain.

He said they met many British warships, which gave them a sense of security, and he concluded: "We are looking forward confidently to our next voyage." — Reuter.

### INDIA AIR ORDER

New Delhi, Yesterday.

Only aircraft operating on regular routes will be allowed to fly to or over India in future.

No other civil aircraft may fly to India without special permission from the Indian Director of Civil Aviation. — Reuter.

### PO LEUNG KUK OVERCROWDED

The "China Mail" learns that 136 inmates of the Po Leung Kuk have now been sent to the King's Park Refugee Camp.

This step was made necessary by the heavy overcrowding at the Po Leung Kuk.

## COMMUNIST RIOTS IN YUGOSLAVIA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Belgrade, To-day.

The student groups of Communist persuasion who demonstrated on Friday in Belgrade, in anti-Finnish disturbances, have extended their activity to the provinces.

Incidents occurred in several parts of Yugoslavia, but the most serious was at Zagreb, the Croat capital, where a thousand Communists attacked the police in the course of a demonstration.

Shots were exchanged, and one demonstrator was killed and seven wounded. Ten policemen were wounded, eight of them seriously. One demonstrator was killed in a clash at Split.—Havas.

## TRIBUTE TO AUSTRALIA

LONDON, YESTERDAY.

THE "MANCHESTER GUARDIAN" SAYS THAT THE FULL MEASURE OF AUSTRALIA'S IMMEDIATE AIR PLANS IS IMPRESSIVE AND A SPLENDID ADDITION TO A VITAL SERVICE.

However, to be fully appreciated, Australia's air effort must be seen in relation to her full military programme.

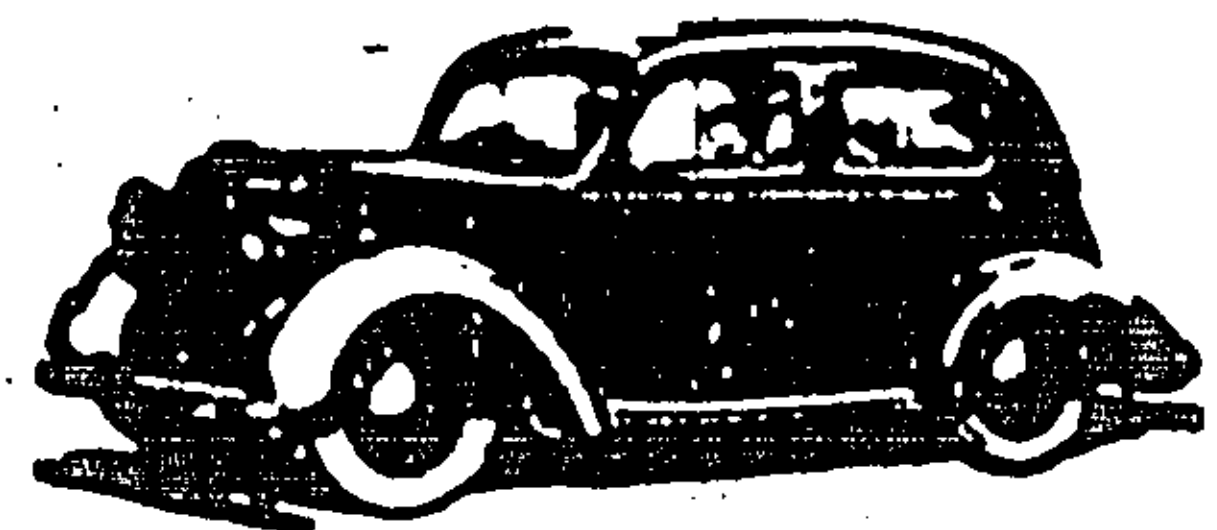
Outlining the rest of the programme, the journal says it is a complete answer to the accusations of Commonwealth indifference to the European war, with which German propagandists for a time sought to delude their public.—Reuter.

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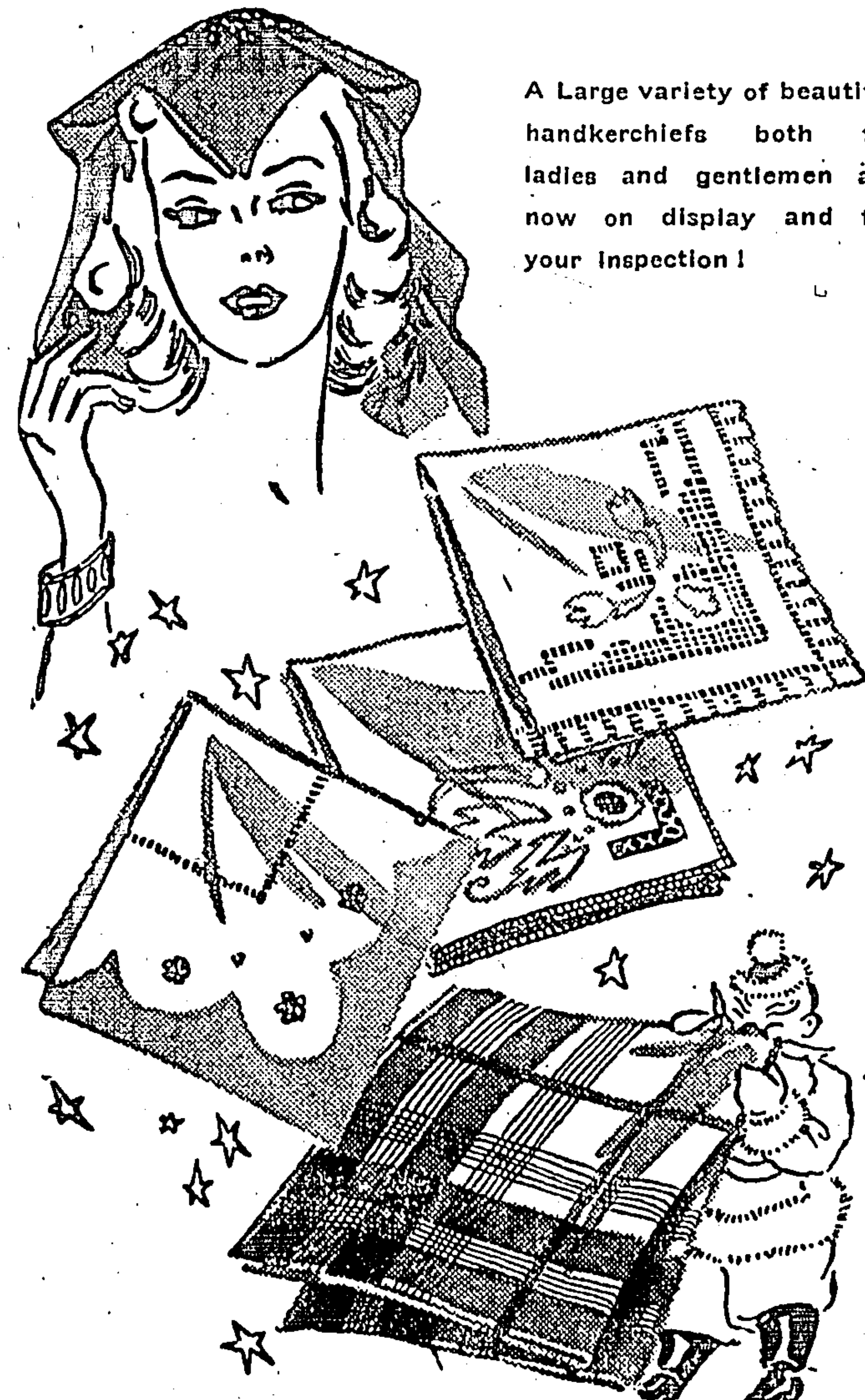
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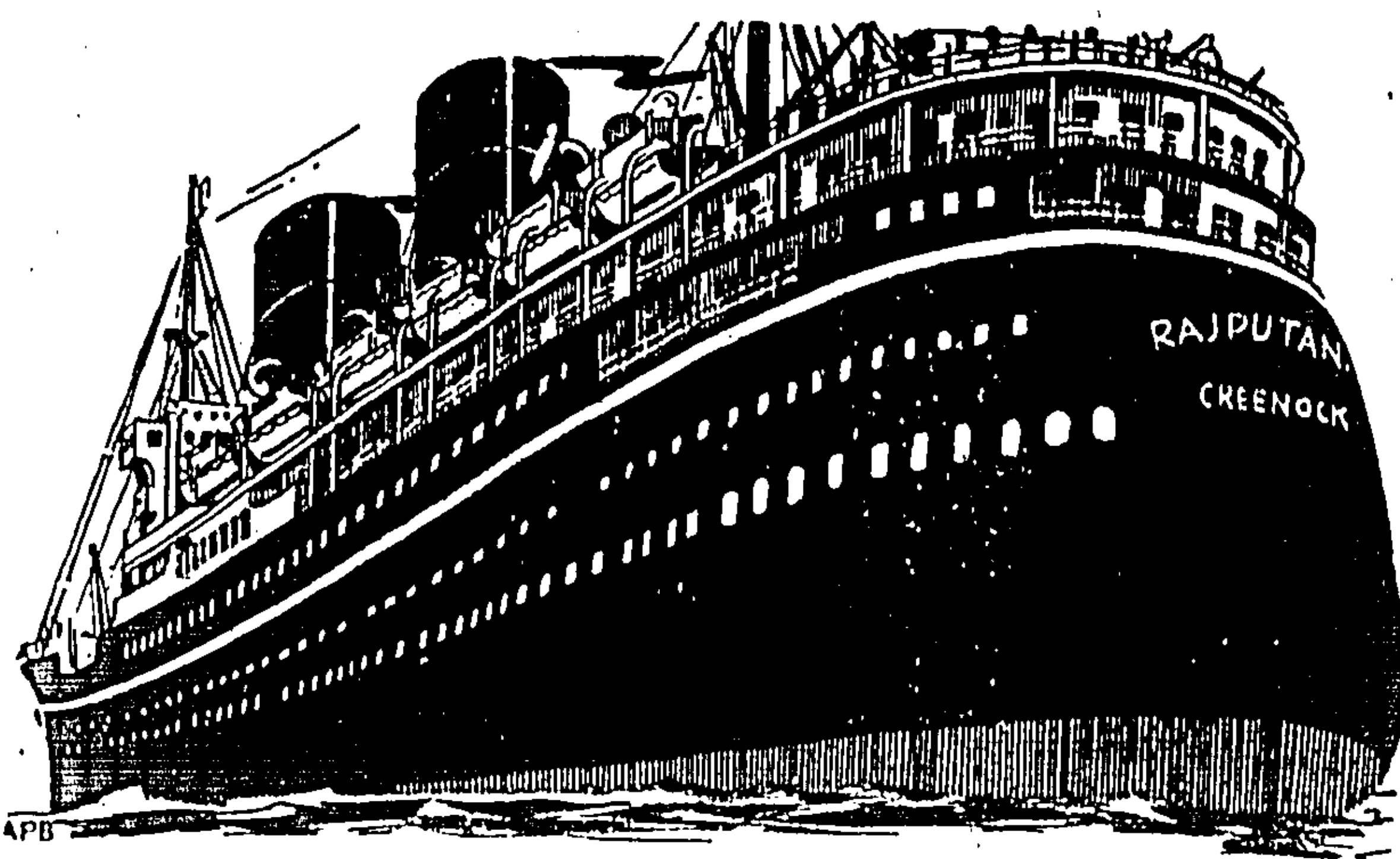
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| Amoy                                                                     | December 18. |
| Shanghai                                                                 | December 18. |
| Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—                       |              |
| San Francisco date, 5th December.                                        | December 18. |
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| Saigon                                                                   | December 18. |
| Straits and Manila                                                       | December 18. |
| Shanghai and Amoy                                                        | December 19. |
| Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 9th Dec.      | December 19. |
| Canton                                                                   | December 19. |
| Bangkok, Saigon and Tourane                                              | December 19. |
| Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 13th Nov.)                     | December 19. |
| Straits                                                                  | December 19. |
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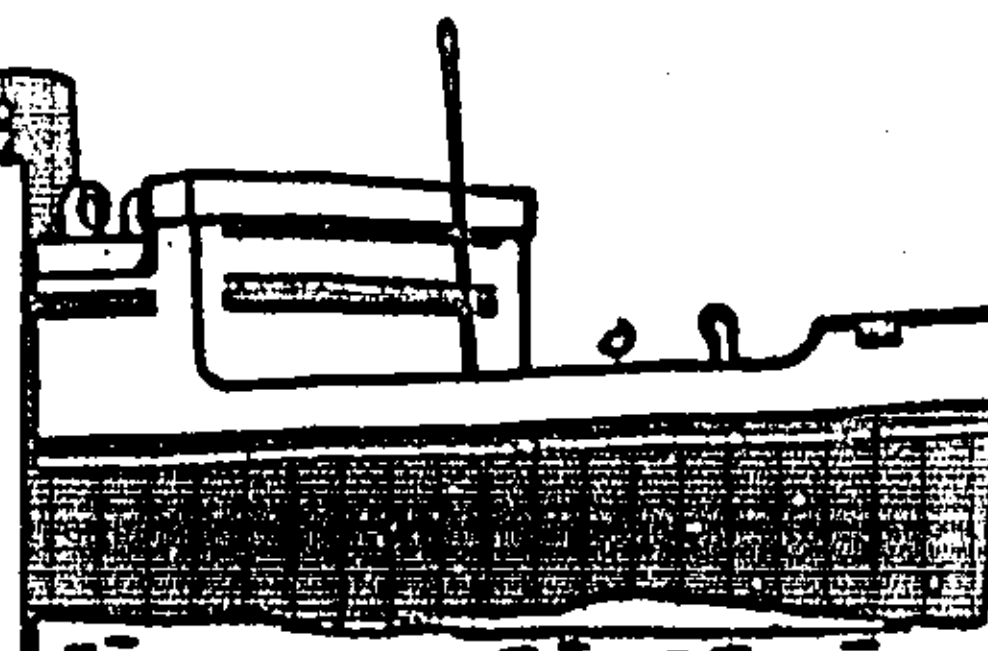
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| Shanghai                                                                                                                      |                | Mon., Dec. 18, 11.30 a.m.                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Fort Bayard                                                                                                                   |                | Dec. 18, 1.30 p.m.                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Japan                                                                                                                         |                | Dec. 18, 7.00 p.m.                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                                                                                                                               | <b>TUESDAY</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco 25th December. |                | Tuesday, December 19.<br>K.P.O.<br>Reg., ... Mon., Dec. 18, 5.00 p.m.<br>Ord., ... Mon., Dec. 18, 5.30 p.m.<br>G.P.O.<br>Reg., ... Mon., Dec. 18, 5.00 p.m.<br>Ord., ... Tues., Dec. 19, 7.30 a.m.    |
| Fort Bayard, and Hoihow                                                                                                       |                | Tues., Dec. 18, 1.30 p.m.                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 27th Dec.                                                          |                | Tuesday, December 19.<br>K.P.O.<br>Reg., ... Tues., Dec. 19, 5.00 p.m.<br>Ord., ... Tues., Dec. 19, 5.30 p.m.<br>G.P.O.<br>Reg., ... Tues., Dec. 19, 5.00 p.m.<br>Ord., ... Tues., Dec. 19, 7.00 p.m. |
| Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 25th Dec.                            |                | Tuesday, December 19.<br>K.P.O.<br>Reg., ... Tues., Dec. 19, 5.00 p.m.<br>Ord., ... Tues., Dec. 19, 5.30 p.m.<br>G.P.O.<br>Reg., ... Tues., Dec. 19, 5.00 p.m.<br>Ord., ... Tues., Dec. 19, 7.00 p.m. |

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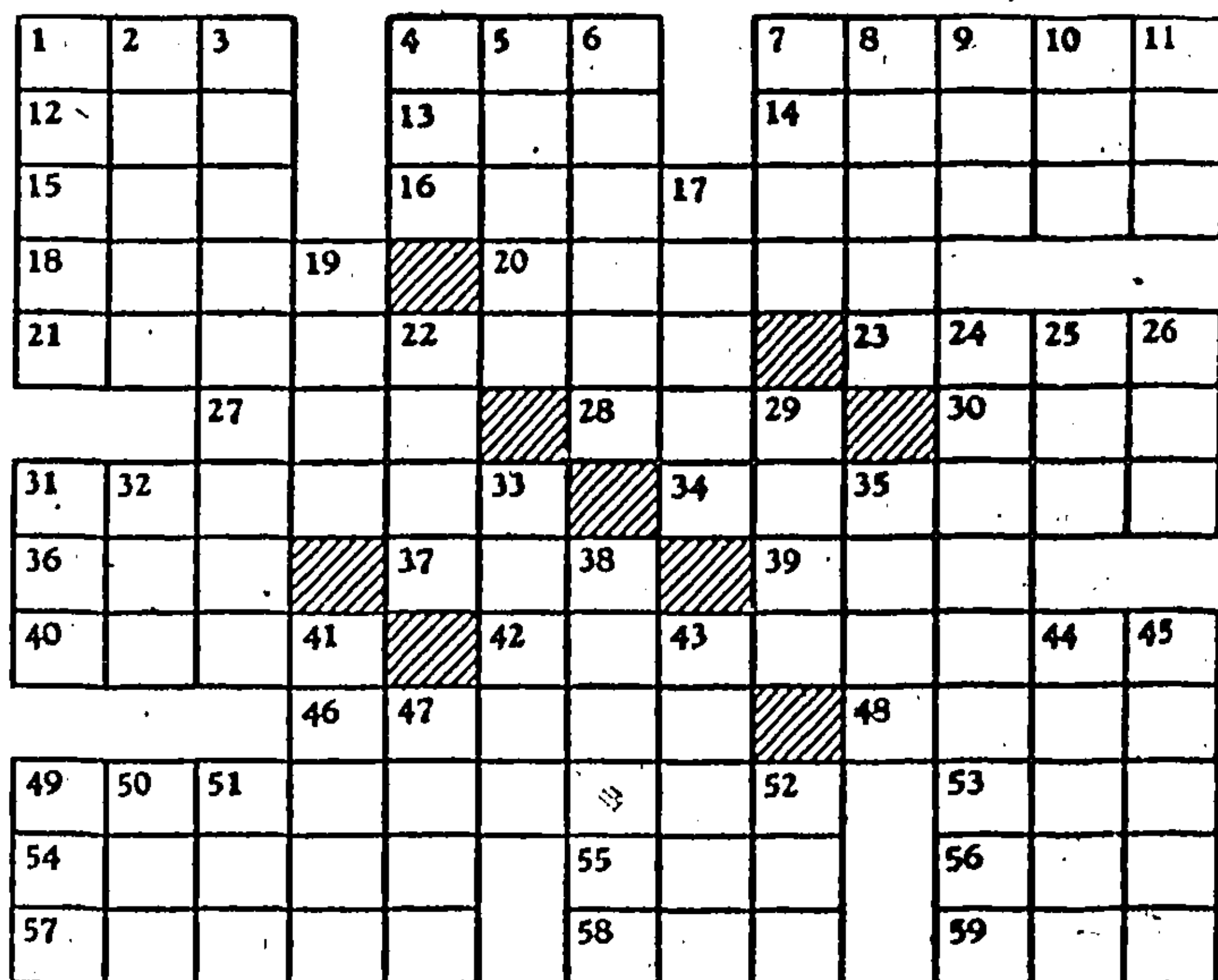
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- 4 Music: high
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- 12 Beverage
- 13 Music: three
- 14 Ship paths
- 15 Lighted
- 16 To make fragrant
- 18 Always
- 20 To think
- 21 In succession
- 23 Plate
- 27 To cut
- 28 Spanish hero
- 30 By birth
- 31 Vexes maliciously
- 34 Cruet
- 36 To bring forth
- 37 Period
- 39 Suffix: native of
- 40 Scope
- 42 Parts of meatus
- 46 To sow
- 48 Suburb of Istanbul
- 49 Recurred constantly

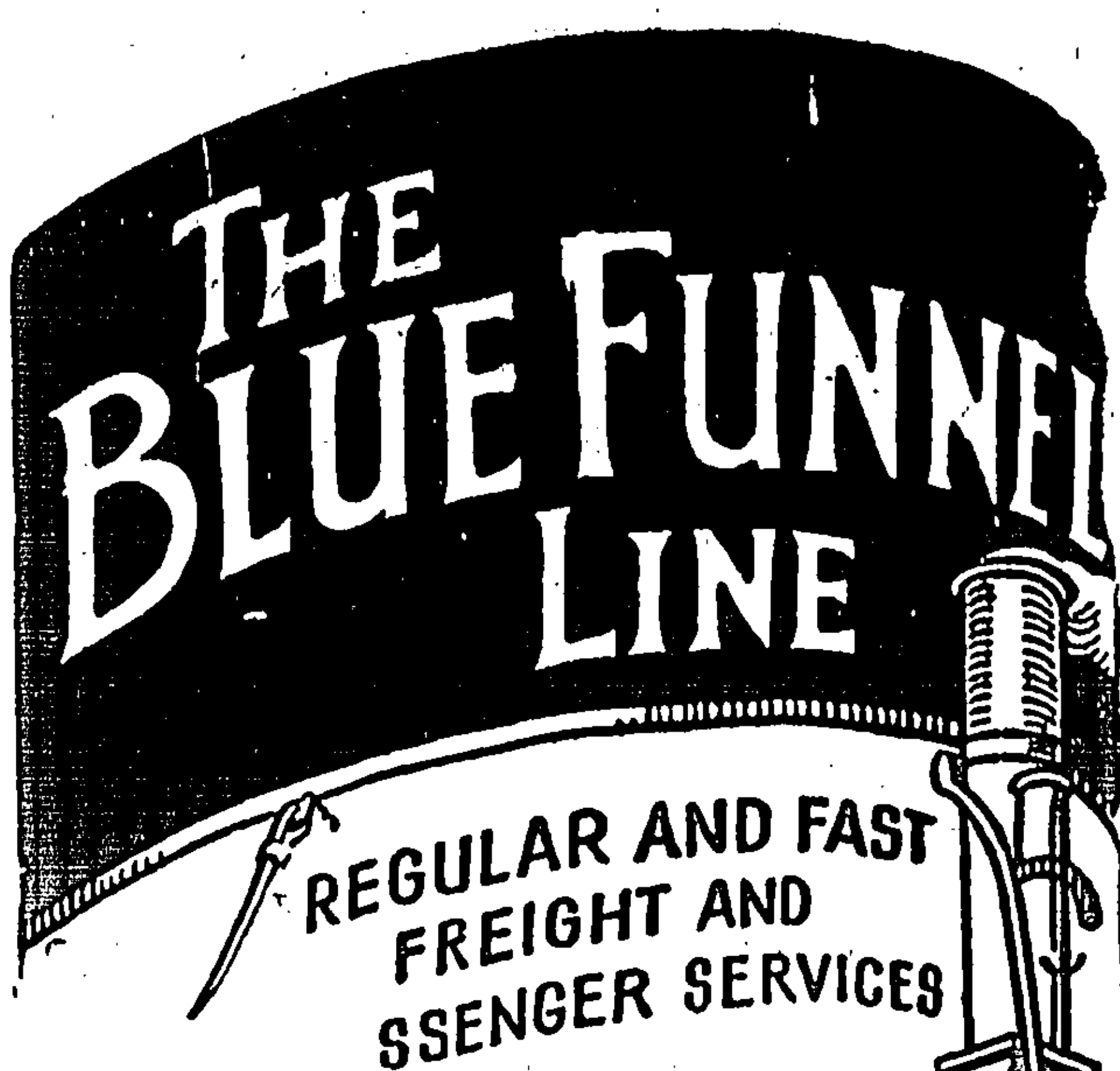
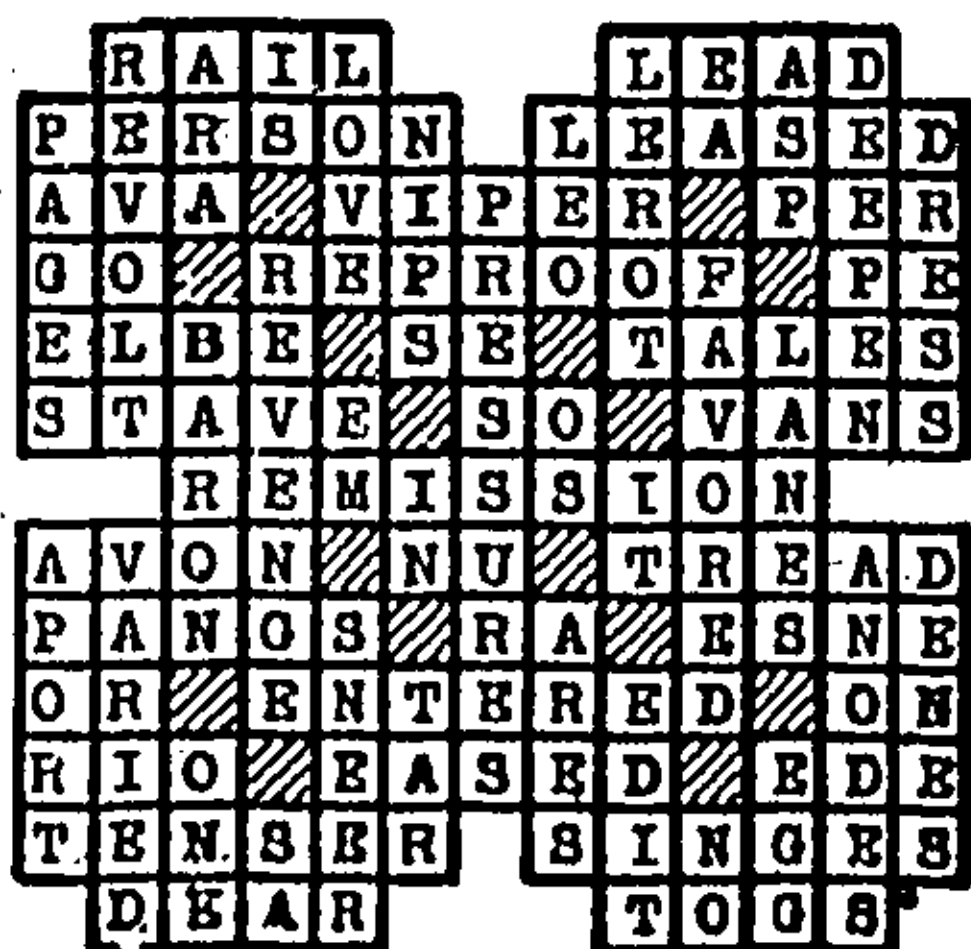
#### VERTICAL

- 53 Descendant
- 54 Constellation (Ram)
- 55 Silk worm
- 56 Bushy clump
- 57 Leaven
- 58 Female of ruff
- 59 Scout
- 1 Blanches
- 2 Yellowish green
- 3 To settle
- 4 Filipino
- 5 Dormouse
- 6 Zone
- 7 Tribe

#### 8 Detested

- 9 Tropical bird
- 10 Brimless cap
- 11 Compass point
- 17 To ape
- 19 Outbreak
- 22 Terrified
- 24 Proprietary rights
- 25 To understand
- 26 Pronoun
- 29 Platform
- 31 Body of water
- 32 Equality
- 33 Beverages
- 35 Stride
- 38 Cloth-stretching device
- 41 Parts of churches
- 43 Metric measure
- 44 Cavalry unit
- 45 Gritty
- 47 Catalogue
- 49 To produce profit
- 50 Before
- 51 Inlet
- 52 Mold

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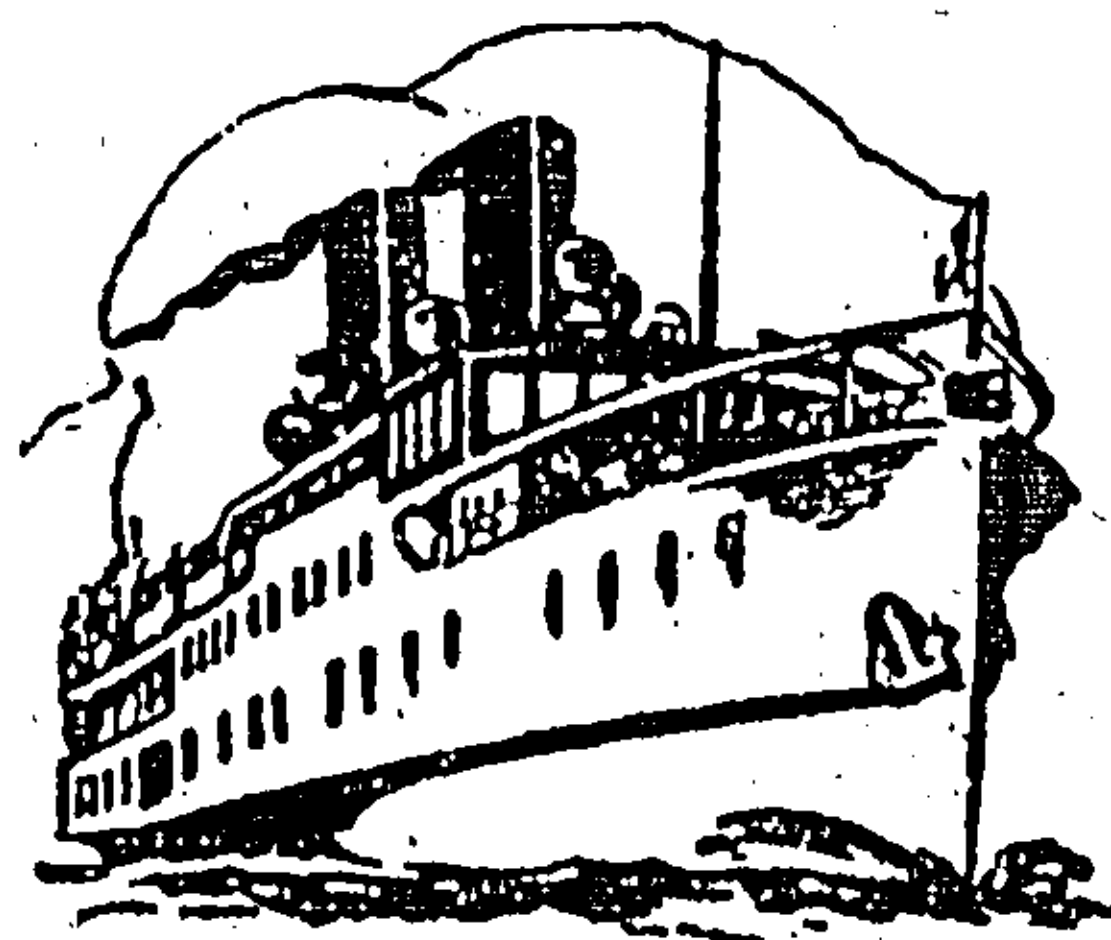
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# SANYO MARU WOMAN'S RELEASED DEATH SEQUEL

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THE JAPANESE "TEST CASE" LINER, SANYO MARU, WAS RE-LEASED FROM THE CONTRABAND CONTROL BASE AFTER A STAY OF 24 HOURS.

According to the Ministry of Economic Warfare it was only necessary to verify that her cargo did not include any other goods of German origin not covered by the Japanese guarantees.—Reuter.

It will be remembered that an official statement was issued with the Order-in-Council on November 27 stated that exemption might be given for goods of German origin which had become neutral property prior to that date.

It was consequently only necessary when the Sanyo Maru arrived in the Downs to verify that her cargo did not include any other goods of German origin not covered by the Japanese guarantees.—British Wireless.

## MORAL EMBARGO

Washington, Yesterday.

President Roosevelt's moral embargo on the export of war supplies to Russia includes all materials essential for the manufacture of aeroplanes.—Reuter.

## LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-7/8.

The London on New York cross rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.02 and New York on London at £—U.S.\$3.94.

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ACCUSED OF MANSLAUGHTER, A 32-YEAR-OLD CHINESE WOMAN, CHUNG WAN-CHING, WAS AR-RAIGNED BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR ATHOLL MACGREGOR, AT THE CRIMINAL SESSIONS THIS MORNING.

It was alleged that accused pushed and kicked another woman, Pun King-sze, down the stairs of her residence on October 16, and that as a result, she died on November 2 at the Queen Mary Hospital.

Mr. M. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted.

The jury were Messrs. W. H. Jowitt (foreman), Kwok Pui-cheng, Choa Yau-cheong, C. Huang, Chow Ping-un, P. A. Yvanovitch, and Yeung Sing-choy.

Mr. Abbott said accused was a seamstress, who received work from her employers and distributed it to other women.

On September 27, accused approached the sister of deceased for a loan of \$5 and promised to repay a week later. However, only \$1 was repaid and, in addition to the balance of \$4, accused owed the woman \$2 for work done.

### INCIDENT ON STAIRS

Pun Yung-fong approached accused several times for repayment but was always put off.

On October 16, Pun Yung-fong and her sister (deceased) met accused in the street and again Pun Yung-fong asked for repayment. Accused asked them to go to her flat in Hollywood Road.

On reaching the flat, accused did not want to enter. Pun stood with accused on the landing. When deceased attempted to ascend to the landing, accused, it was alleged, caught hold of her arm, swing her round and kicked her in the buttock.

Deceased tripped and fell to the bottom of the staircase. Pun and accused rushed down and later the woman was taken to hospital, where it was found that besides severe bruises, her cheek was cut through from the right ear to the middle of the upper lip.

She showed improvement for 10 days, after which she became worse and died on November 2.

The post mortem disclosed that she died of meningitis and multiple brain abscess, the result, it was alleged, of the cheek wound.

The case is proceeding this afternoon.

## NAVY RUGBY TEAM

Following will represent Navy against Club "A" on Wednesday next, on the Club ground, at 5 p.m.:

Lieutenant Bax (Scout); S. B. A. Addis (Tamar), Tel. Paul (Thracian), Midshipman O'Riordan (Danao) and Marine Jeffries (Stonecutters); Stoker Gallagher (Scout) and A. B. Kay (Tamar C-in-C's Barge); Cpl. Marron (Tamar), Ldg. Wtr. Barlow (Tamar), Ldg. Sig. Inglis (Tamar), A. B. Longmuir (Thanet); L. S. Spirit (M.T.B.'s), Ldg. Wtr. Ferris (Tamar), Paymaster Lieutenant Charles (C-in-C's Office) and Chief Writer King (Tamar).

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## TO-NIGHT'S BADMINTON

Owing to the fact that St. Andrew's Hall is not available, the "B" Division badminton match between St. Teresa's and St. Andrew's will be played at St. Teresa's at 8.15 p.m.

Other matches on the programme are two senior games, University "A" v University "B" and Chinese "Y" v Recreio.

## ARMY SMALL UNITS HOCKEY FINAL

H. Q. Company, Kumaon Rifles will meet H. Q. Company, 5/6 Rajputana Rifles in the final of the Army Small Units' Knockout hockey competition at Sookunpoo to-day commencing at 3.30 p.m.



# "HITLER SPEAKS"

(Continued from Page 7)

battle of Cannae? Did the invention of gunpowder in the Middle Ages change the laws of strategy? I am sceptical as to the value of technical inventions.

"No technical novelty has ever permanently revolutionised warfare. Each technical advance is followed by another which cancels out its effects.

"Certainly, the technique of warfare advances, and it will create many more novelties until the maximum of destruction is reached. But all this can only produce a temporary superiority."

Hess, at that time Hitler's private secretary, intervened.

"The gentlemen do not seem to understand," he explained, "how Germany, in view of the limited value of technical inventions for warfare, will be able to escape getting bogged again for years in a war of position."

"Who says I'm going to start a war like those fools in 1914?" cried Hitler. "Are not all our efforts bent to preventing this? Most people have no imagination." Here his face twisted into an expression of contempt.

"They can imagine the future only in terms of their own petty experience. They are blind to the new, the surprising things. Even the generals are sterile. They are imprisoned in the coils of their technical knowledge. The creative genius stands always outside the circle of the experts."

"I," he went on, "have the gift of reducing all problems to their simplest foundations. War has been erected into a secret science and surrounded with momentous solemnity. But war is the most natural, the most every-day matter."

"War is eternal, war is universal. There is no beginning and there is no peace. War is life. Any struggle is war. War is the origin of all things."

"What is war but cunning, deception, delusion, attack and surprise? People have killed only when they could not achieve their aim in other ways. Merchants, robbers, warriors—at one time, all these were one. There is a broadened strategy, a war with intellectual weapons."

"What is the object of war, Forster? To make the enemy capitulate. If he does, I have the prospect of wiping him out. Why should I demoralise him by military means if I can do so better and more cheaply in other ways?"

Hitler went on to develop the outlines of his war as he has since widely tested it. At that time it seemed a novel and not very convincing doctrine. It was evident, however, that he had given much thought to these matters.

He looked upon himself as a great strategist of a new kind, a future war-lord in a sense and to a degree hitherto unknown.

"When I wage war, Forster," he declared, "in the midst of peace, troops will suddenly appear, let us



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say, in Paris. They will wear French uniforms. They will march through the streets in broad daylight. No one will stop them. Everything has been thought out, prepared to the last detail.

"They will march to the headquarters of the General Staff. They will occupy the Ministries, the Chamber of Deputies. Within a few minutes France, Poland, Austria, Czechoslovakia will be robbed of their leading men. An army without a General Staff! All political leaders out of the way! The confusion will be beyond belief."

"But I shall long have had relations with the men who will form a new Government—a Government to suit me."

"We shall find such men, we shall find them in every country. We shall not need to bribe them. They will come of their own accord. Ambition and delusion, party squabbles and self-seeking arrogance will drive them."

"Peace will be negotiated before the war has begun. I promise you, gentlemen, that the impossible is always successful. The most unlikely thing is the surest."

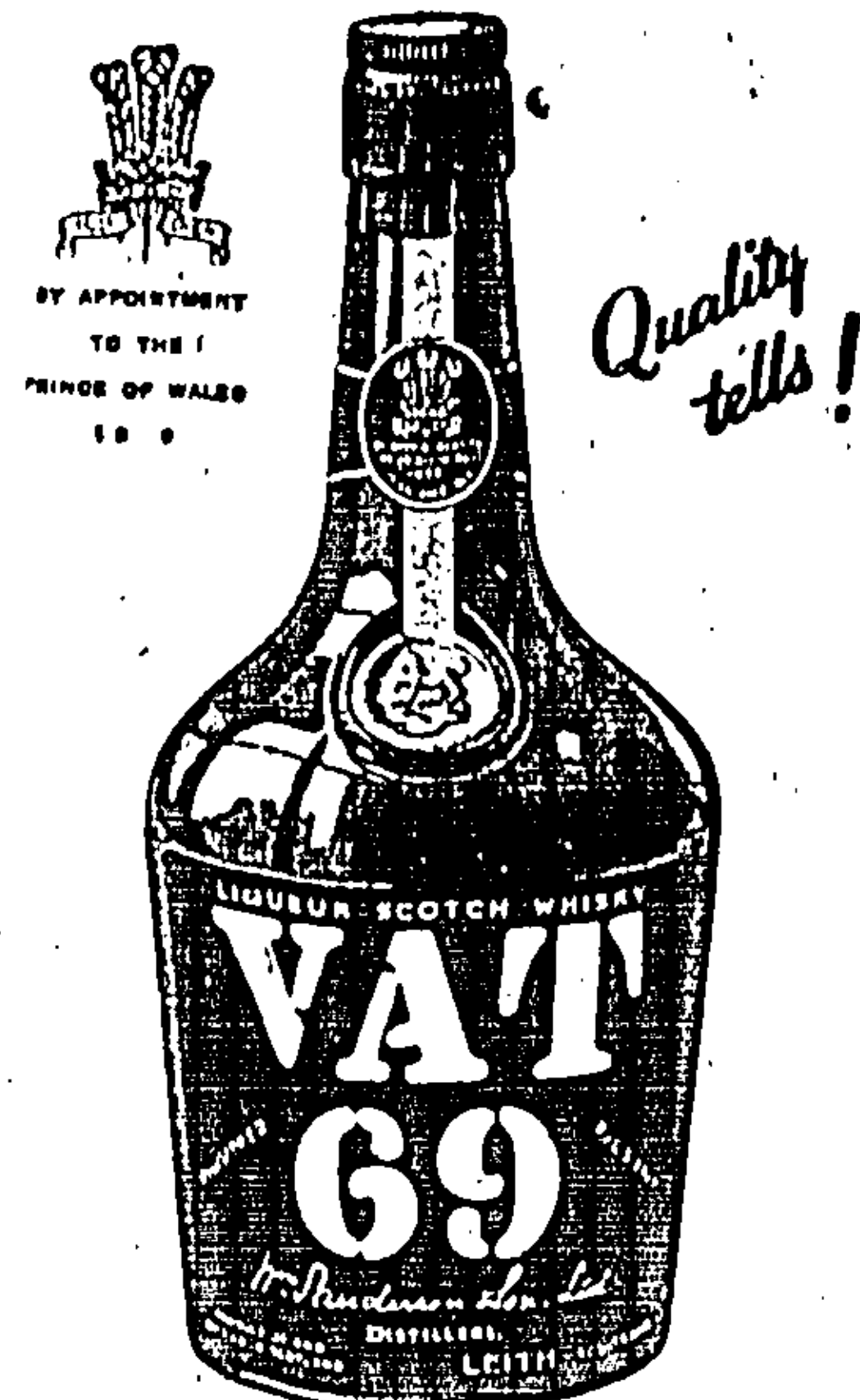
"We shall have enough volunteers, men like our S.A., trustworthy and ready for any sacrifice. We shall send them across the border in peacetime. Gradually. No one shall see in them anything but peaceful travellers."

"To-day you don't believe me, gentlemen. But I will accomplish it, move by move."

"Perhaps we shall land at their flying-fields. We shall be capable of transporting, not only men, but arms, by air. No Maginot Line will stop us. Our strategy, Forster, is to destroy the enemy from within, to conquer him through himself."

(To Be Continued)

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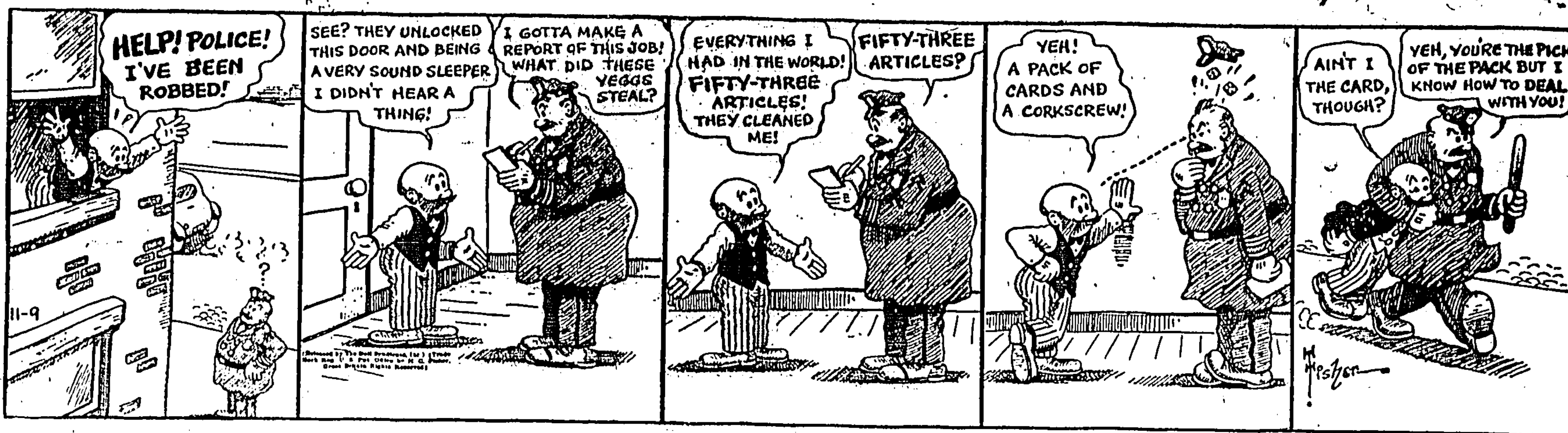


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Medley of Shirley Temple Songs from film  
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Rag Doll (Brown)...New Mayfair Novel-  
ty Orchestra.  
Mammy's Lullaby....The Green Brothers'  
Marimba Band with Vocal Chorus.  
6.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.  
6.32 p.m.—SELECTIONS from Light Opera.  
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7.00 p.m.—"SWING" MUSIC.  
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Peckin'; Can't We Be Friends....Benny

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Blue Danube Swing; Night Ride....Eddie  
Carroll & His Swingphonic Orchestra.  
7.30 p.m.—LONDON RELAY—The News.  
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Re-  
port and Announcements.  
8.03 p.m.—This week's programmes.  
8.07 p.m.—STUDIO—Jazz-Piano Recital by  
Doreen Ma.  
1. Medley. Intro: Deep Purple; They  
Say; And The Angels Sing.  
2. Worried Over You.  
3. It Took a Million Years.  
4. You're so Desirable.  
5. Poor Butterfly.  
6. Tea for Two.

8.25 p.m.—REGINALD FOORT at the Organ.  
"Transatlantic Rhythm" Medley.  
Hit Parade. Intro: Rosalie; Are you sin-  
cere; Thanks for the memory; The  
pretty little patchwork quilt; So many  
memories; You're a sweetheart.  
8.35 p.m.—LIGHT ORCHESTRAL CONCERT  
with Ina Souez (Soprano) and Herbert E.  
Groh (Tenor).  
9.05 p.m.—STUDIO—Comments on Recent  
Events.  
9.15 p.m.—LONDON RELAY—News Sum-  
mary.  
9.25 p.m.—B.B.C. RECORDING—"The Town  
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and words by Henry Reed. Production by

David Porter.  
9.55 p.m.—JOHN GOSS (Baritone) and the  
Cathedral Male Voice Quartet.  
The Three Ravens (arr. Kennedy Scott).  
The Boatmen (Harris).  
One More Day: On The Banks of Sacra-  
mento (arr. Harris).  
10.05 p.m.—VARIETY with Jack Savage and  
His Cowboys, Murrenbrod and Winterbot-  
tom, E'sle and Doris Waters, and Ralph  
Reader.  
Vocal—Going Home; Tumbling Tumble  
Weeds....Jack Savage & His Cowboys.  
Humorous—About Cruisers (Frankau-Hand-  
len-Crick); Art (Frankau & Others)....  
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Comedienne—Gert, Daisy. A Piano—An  
Howl....Elsie & Doris Waters.  
Vocal—Gang Show of 1939....Ralph Reader  
and Chorus with Orchestra.  
10.30 p.m.—DANCE MUSIC.  
Fox-Trots—I Don't Like (film 'Keep Fit');  
Do-De-O-Doh....Nat Gonella & His Geor-  
gians.  
Waltz—Coronation Waltz; Tango—Questa  
Notte Ti Dico....Mantovani & His Orch.  
Fox-Trots—That Old Feeling (film 'Walter  
Wanger's Voguees'); You Can't Stop Me  
From Dreaming....Harry Roy & His  
Orchestra.  
Rumba—Sav "Si, Si"; Fox-Trot—It's The  
Natural Thing To Do (film 'Double or  
Nothing')....Harry Roy & His Orchestra.  
Waltz—Dance The Moonlight Waltz with  
Me; Slow Fox-Trot—Old Pal Of Mine....  
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## DECEPTION

The "Statue of Liberty" play in  
Bridge occurs when a notrump De-  
clarer deliberately leads the suit he  
is afraid of, hoping the opponents will  
now steer clear of it. This was the  
case in a recent hand played by Mr.  
Harold Colvin of New York City:

South, Dealer  
East-West vulnerable

♠ A 6 3  
♥ J 9 4  
♦ 10 9 8 3  
♣ A J 2  
N  
W  
S  
♠ J 7 3  
♥ A Q 10  
♦ 8 3  
♣ J 4 2  
5 8

♠ K 10 9  
♥ 7 5 2  
♦ A 7  
♣ K Q 10 9 8  
Mr. Colvin

The bidding:

| South | West | North | East |
|-------|------|-------|------|
| 1♠    | Pass | 2♠    | Pass |
| 2NT   | Pass | 3NT   | Pass |
| Pass  | Pass |       |      |

West opened the five of diamonds  
and East's Jack forced Mr. Colvin's  
Ace. Mr. Colvin now saw that if his  
opponents got in, they could run two  
diamonds and four hearts, while at the  
same time he could count but eight tricks  
for himself. His only  
really good play for a  
ninth trick would oc-  
cur if one of his op-  
ponents could be per-  
suaded to lead a spade.

Accordingly, Mr. Colvin promptly led  
the seven of hearts from his hand.  
West played the King and now East,  
who saw what was going on, scream-  
ed for a heart lead by playing the  
Queen.

Unfortunately, West was one of those  
quick players. Even before his part-  
ner's play to the trick he had his hand  
out the four of spades, and it came right  
out. Mr. Colvin played low from dum-

my, East played the Jack and Declarer  
won with the King. Now, after running  
his five club tricks, Mr. Colvin suc-  
cessfully finessed for the Queen of  
spades to make his contract.

"Partner, didn't you see me signal  
with the Queen of hearts?" East de-  
manded, whereupon West replied, "I  
thought it was a singleton."

East had no reply to this, but we  
may point out that if East really had a  
singleton heart, it would mean that  
Declarer had seven of them, in which  
case we really feel he would have  
shown the suit at some stage of the  
bidding.

You were Oswald Jacoby's partner  
Saturday. Both sides were vulnerable  
and the opponents had 60 on score.  
You held:

♠ x  
♥ Q J 9 8 4  
♦ A x x  
♣ K x x

The bidding:

| Schenken | Jacoby | Maier | You |
|----------|--------|-------|-----|
| 1♠       | Pass   | 1NT   | (?) |

ANSWER: Your correct bid is two  
hearts. Your hand is the same as the  
previous day's, but now, since one  
notrump will give the opponents  
game, it is imperative to risk an over-  
call in order to drive your opponents  
to a higher contract.

Score 100% for two hearts, 50% for  
double, 30% for pass.

QUESTION NO. 286

You are Merwin Maier's partner,  
you are vulnerable and hold:

♠ A K x x  
♥ A K 10 3  
♦ 8 7  
♣ 9 x x

The bidding:

| Burnstone | Maier | Schenken | You  |
|-----------|-------|----------|------|
| Pass      | Pass  | 1♠       | Dbl. |
| 1♠        | 2♠    | 3♠       | (?)  |

What do you bid? (Answer  
tomorrow.)

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grooved and accurate that this  
was no great feat for him but the  
idea is recommended for all  
golfers.

Bobby Cruickshank advises  
players to follow a similar rou-  
tine on brassie shots, playing the  
ball cleanly and thus avoiding a  
possible fluffed shot by trying to  
dig for the ball. As the clubhead  
comes onto the ball, snap the club-  
head through with the wrists,  
starting at a point about a foot  
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### MAK SHUI-HON HAS SOME BAD LUCK

(By "SPORTSHAWK")

A CAPACITY ATTENDANCE of approximately 8,000 spectators gathered at Caroline Hill yesterday afternoon to witness an exceptionally fine game between China and Ireland in the "Sunday Herald" Charity Cup competition in which the former won by 4 goals to 2 after leading 2-1 at the interval.

Both sides were compelled to make several positional changes owing to the inability of some of the "scheduled" players to turn out.

Mak Shui-hon, who filled Lee Tinsang's berth at right-back, together with the left-back, Tsang Kam-wang, stubbornly resisted Ireland's keen attacks, while Tam Kwan-hon, the keeper, did well, though he was not severely tested.

Lee Wai-tong, Chinese football star, was not impressive but distributed the ball well and gave fine support to his forwards.

Outstanding player was undoubtedly Cheuk Shek-kam, inside-left, whose brilliant passing, shooting and heading were highlights of his game.

Yip Pak-wah, on the left-wing, also played a splendid game, while Hsu King-chen, in the pivotal position, was very impressive and kept his forwards well supplied with passes.

The two wing halves made few errors but were not impressive. Yeung Shui-yick worked hard on the right wing.

For Ireland, P. Jorge and O'Regan, discharged their duties excellently in the forward line, but lacked support, while D. Leonard, the pivot, held

China's pivot, Hsu King-chen, in close check.

#### MAK'S MISFORTUNE

China's victory, well deserved though it was, would have been doubly impressive were it not for the fact that both errors, which permitted Ireland to score two goals, were due entirely to their own mistakes.

Mak Shui-hon, right-back, was unfortunate in being the cause of both goals scored against his team. Cheuk Shek-kam, equalised, after Jorge had opened the scoring, from a centre from Cheung Kam-hoi. Shortly after, he scored a further goal, from a pass by Yeung Shui-yick, on the right-wing.

On resumption, Ireland was kept on the defensive throughout and were held scoreless until the penalty was awarded to them.

Two further goals were scored within the last ten minutes by Yip Pak-wah and Lee Wai-tong.

China: Tam Kwan-hon; Mak Shui-hon and Tsang Kam-wang; Lau Chi-chan, Hsu King-chen and Shek Kam-hon; Yeung Shui-yick, Cheung Kam-hoi, Lee Wai-tong, Cheuk Shek-kam and Yip Pak-wah.

Ireland: Moore; Hill and Sheehan; Smart, D. Leonard and Honniball; Brokenberry, P. Jorge, O'Regan, Martin and A. Leonard.

#### SATURDAY'S SPORT

**MAY'S FINE GAME IN T.T. RUGGER: MR. TANG RIDES BRILLIANTLY: TWO BRAUN CUP TEAMS LOSE UNBEATEN RECORDS: WADDINGTON'S HAT-TRICK.**

There were no great surprises in Saturday's ladies' hockey programme. "Y" beating Recreio and St. Andrew's drawing with Hong Kong in the Caer Clark Cup competition, and C.B.S. and D.G.S. winning and Recreio and Argonauts drawing in the Braun Cup.

Recreio did fairly well against "Y" and Ladies' Hockey were quite impressive in attack despite the brick-wall defence put up by Mrs. Stone and Mrs. Strange at full back and a well-balanced intermediate-line.

Their defence, however, could not withstand the lightning thrusts instituted by Miss D. McCaw and Mrs. Gardner and the result was five "Y" goals.

The Hong Kong Ladies' team gets better every week and although not at full strength on Saturday gave a very good account of itself, being somewhat unfortunate not to secure two points.

Miss Maureen Booker, following her sister June by some three weeks or so, made a welcome return to the team and showed plenty of dash whilst also revealing a lack of practice.

Miss Gray, as ever, was an inspiring back and very little got past her. Miss Dorothy Watson and Miss June Booker are a very efficient pair of halves and tackle their tasks and their opponents with great efficiency.

St. Andrew's were completely demoralised by the bumpy ground. They mishit on several occasions, and then completely lost their confidence. Lapses on the part of the defence allowed Hong Kong to get within scoring range on numerous occasions and if the Island players had been a trifle quicker in front of goal, they must have won.

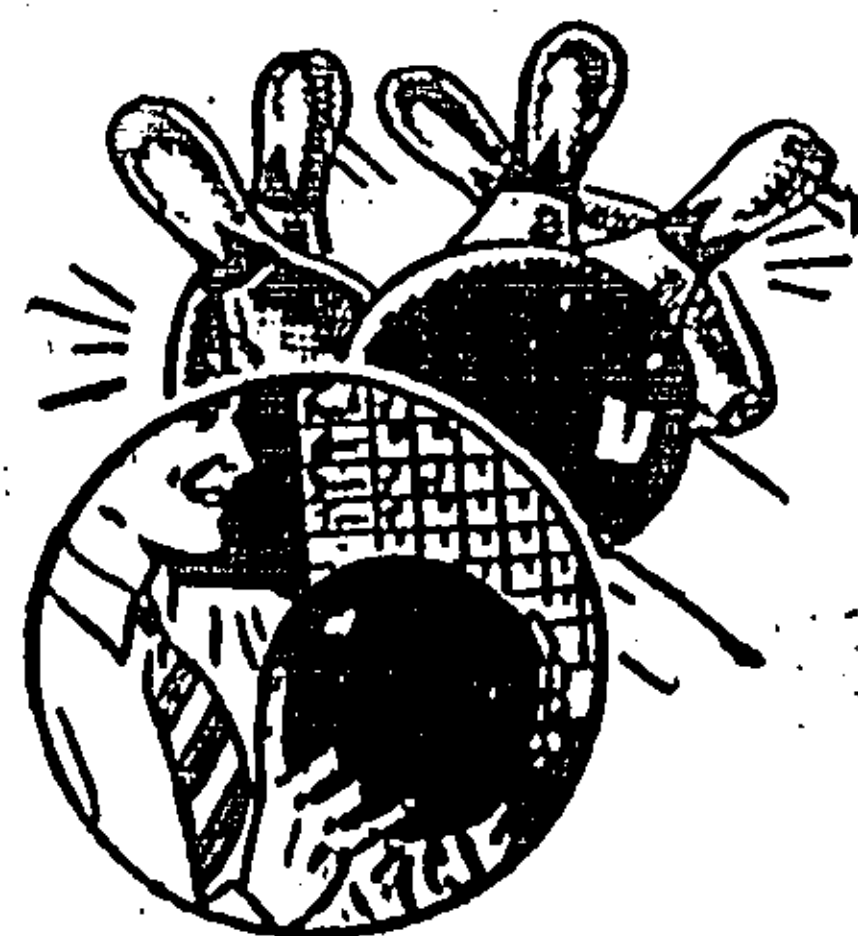
In the Braun Cup, "Y" Ladies, who, so a little bird told me, have their eyes on the championship, badly missed the services of the two members of their side who were assisting the senior team and suffered their first defeat, going down to D.G.S. by the only goal of the match.

Miss Nancy Maxwell and Miss P. Crofton saved the situation on numerous occasions when "Y" were making desperate efforts in the second half to equalise.

Another team to lose a hitherto unbeaten record was C.B.A., no match for the speedy Central British Schoolgirls who notched up five goals without reply.

If the exchanges were not very skillful, there was enthusiasm aplenty in the match between Recreio "B" and the Argonauts. The latter team rather unexpectedly took the lead in the first half but were given a harassing time in the second half when Recreio pressed for almost the entire period.

Miss N. Gonsalves' goal saved Recreio



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and they thoroughly deserved the point.

The inclusion of May in Army's Triangular Tournament team against Navy on Saturday was mainly responsible for their Rugby decisive win. Getting the ball away quickly from a clean

heeling pack, he gave his threequarters time to get off the mark before being tackled for a change. With Ridsdale to come into the side, Army, if they can maintain Saturday's form, are going to challenge Club in no uncertain manner in their return match next Saturday, when an Army win will almost certainly cause a division of the honours.

Lang, Skipworth, Hook, Waite, Pinkerton, who is undoubtedly Hong Kong's best forward, Duke and Cuthbertson were the other Army players to shine. For Navy, who were completely outclassed at forward, Stevens stood out, while Clarke and Nicholls, the latter for his kicking, lent valuable support.

Club, as expected, paid the penalty of underestimating their opponents, and so well did Police play—their tackling was low and sure—that the full Club first fifteen would have found them a hard nut to crack. Wilson, Taylor, Luscombe, Dempsey and Riddell were prominent for Police and Charter was the only Club player to impress, though Bompas caught the eye once or twice.

A difference of half a mile meant a difference of \$100 in stakes to Celtic Star, which beat Musketeer by 2 lengths in the St. Leger. On Saturday Musketeer reversed the decision by beating Celtic Star for second place by four lengths.

Though Mr. Black's fine handling of A Grand Time in the Queensland Autumn Champions deserved the highest praise, Mr. Tang's ride on Oak Bay was even better. Placed second in the Tweed Island Bay Handicap to Avon, Oak Bay thus recorded its only other place during the second half when it finished a short head behind New Star, the favourite. Mr. Tang nursed his mount to perfection, refusing to give it its head early on or to be rushed when overtaken at the 1 1/4 mile starting gate.

Mr. L. Dunbar's Baffin Bay, surprise winner of the Fremantle St. Leger, would probably have won the Queensland Autumn Champions had Mr. Hearne been up. As it was Mr. Hearne was booked to ride Mrs. Taggart's Lancashire Chips and finished fourth, while Baffin Bay was fully extended to come within two lengths of A Grand Time.

THERE were six scores of over 50 in Saturday's cricket programme, highest of the day being Alec Pearce's 72 against Kowloon Cricket Club.

Best bowling feat was registered by J. Waddington of R.A.F. against I.R.C. Juniors. Waddington took 6 for 24 including the hat-trick.

Following were the best performances in Saturday's cricket programme:—

#### BATTING

|                                   |     |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| T. A. Pearce (H.K.C.C.)           | 72  |
| L. T. Ride (H.K.C.C.)             | 64  |
| A. J. Hulse (C.C.C.)              | 62  |
| D. J. N. Anderson (K.C.C.)        | 57  |
| K. Y. Tam (University)            | 53  |
| D. O. Parson (H.K.C.C. 2nd XI)    | 51  |
| G. A. Goodban (K.C.C. 2nd XI)     | 49  |
| W. L. Clarke (Police)             | 42* |
| A. K. Mackenzie (H.K.C.C. 2nd XI) | 39  |
| E. F. Fincher (K.C.C.)            | 38  |
| R. Baldwin (K.C.C. 2nd XI)        | 33  |
| M. A. Remedios (Recreio 2nd XI)   | 36* |

\* Indicate not out.

#### BOWLING

|                               |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| J. Waddington (R.A.F.)        | 6 for 24* |
| A. V. Gosaño (Recreio 2nd XI) | 5 for 18  |
| J. Lewis (Police)             | 5 for 36  |
| Y. T. Barma (I.R.C. 2nd XI)   | 4 for 8   |
| E. Curtis (K.C.C. 2nd XI)     | 4 for 17  |
| M. R. Abbas (I.R.C. 2nd XI)   | 4 for 20  |
| A. B. Hamson (C.C.C.)         | 4 for 27  |
| L/Cpl. Williams (M'sex)       | 4 for 29  |
| C. Pope (Police)              | 4 for 45  |
| C. N. Matthews (Univ.)        | 4 for 52  |

\* Includes hat-trick.

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## TWO GOOD CRICKET MATCHES YESTERDAY

Two interesting cricket matches were played yesterday. At Kowloon Cricket Club veteran members of K.C.C., despite a fine innings by Mr. Justice Lindsell, their captain, were beaten by the veterans of H.K.C.C. by 60 runs, while at Happy Valley, No. 3 (M.G.) Company of the H.K.V.D.C. were held to a draw by the Middlesex Regiment, a fine eighth wicket stand by Pte. Cordery and L/Cpl. Williams saving the latter team after they had lost 6 for 66.

The game at Kowloon was featured by the extraordinary number of batsmen who retired. Whether they did this in order to give later batsmen chances of performing or whether through sheer exhaustion, is not known, but no fewer than six batsmen returned to the pavilion without being dismissed!

Hong Kong, batting first, compiled the very useful score of 202 to which Brig. McLeod, R. S. W. Paterson, R. D. Gillespie, T. E. Pearce and E. J. R. Mitchell all made useful contributions.

Kowloon were best served by R. E. Lindsell, who, not a considerable number of years ago, led the K.C.C. 2nd XI in the League, Capt. W. M. Parsons, Capt. A. H. Martin and C. F. Green.

Prof. F. A. Redmond got among the rabbits to take 3 for 5 in two overs.

### GALLANT STAND

At the Valley the Volunteers batted first on an easy wicket but lost the wickets of Q.M.S. Fincher and Sgt. Zimmern in the first 15 minutes. L/Cpl. Hung was then joined by Pte. F. R. Zimmern and the rot was effectively stopped.

L/Cpl. Mackay and Lt. Anderson carried on the good work and later Pte. Madar played a really fine innings before being called in when 22.

Hatfield bowled aggressively for the regulars but the remainder of the attack, although steady, was not very dangerous.

The Volunteers appeared to have the game well in hand when brilliant bowling by Pte. F. R. Zimmern and Sgt. Winch had six Middlesex wickets down for only 66 but Pte. Cordery and L/Cpl. Williams then became associated in a stand which realised 62 runs.

Both batted very well indeed, defending stoutly when the occasion demanded and hitting the loose ones hard.

These two stayed together, despite repeated bowling changes, until Williams was caught in the last over of the match by which time Middlesex were practically safe.

### H.K.C.C. WIN

H.K.C.C.—202 (Brig. McLeod 26, R. S. W. Paterson 21, R. D. Gillespie 32, T. E. Pearce 30, E. J. R. Mit-

chell 32, W. Nash 3 for 66, Fraser 3 for 47).

K.C.C.—142 (Capt. A. H. Martin 17, Capt. W. M. Parsons, 27, R. E. Lindsell 56, C. G. Green 24 not out; Paterson 2 for 16, Redmond 3 for 5).

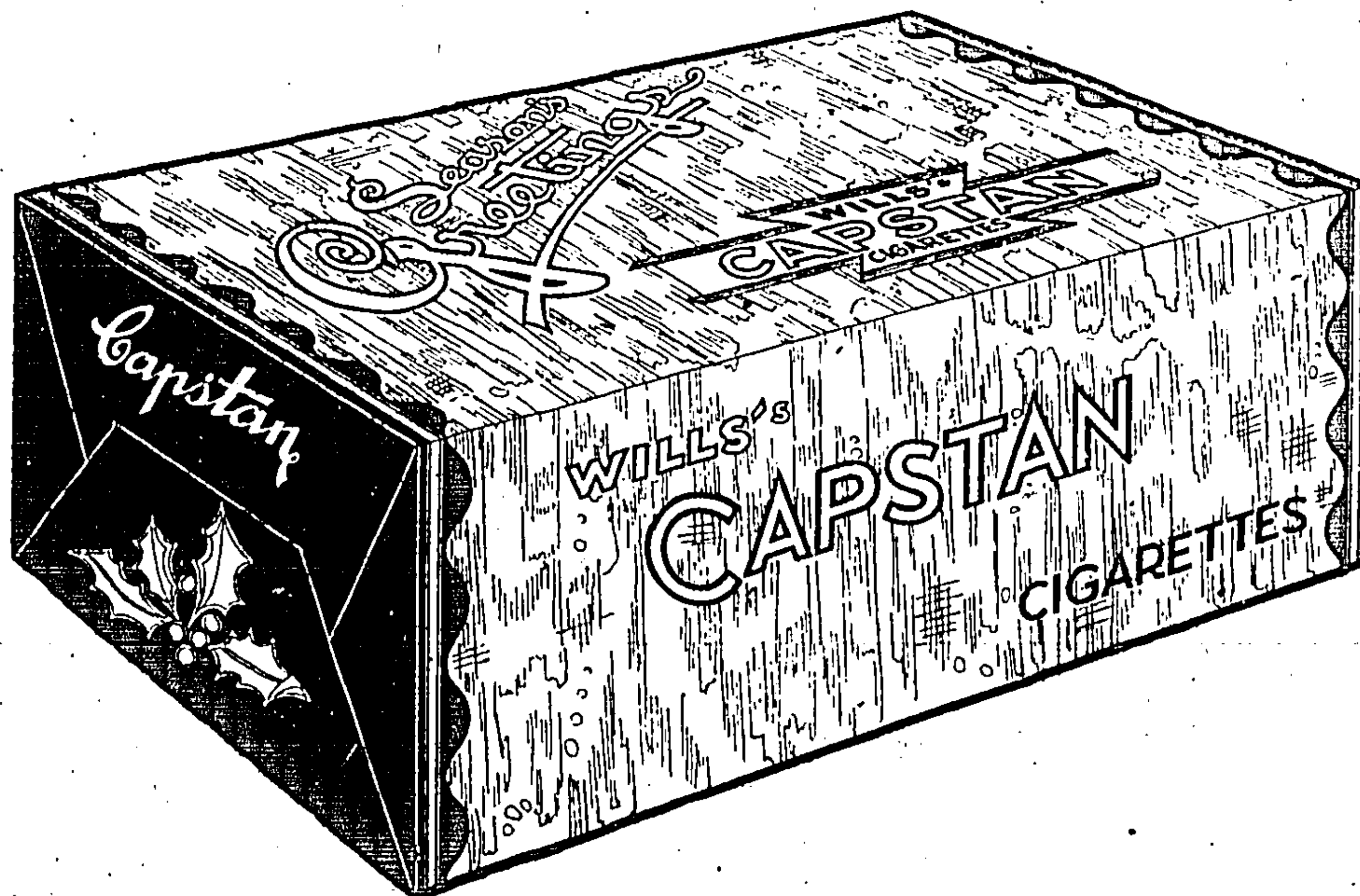
### NO. 3 (M.G.) HELD TO DRAW

No. 3 (M. G.) Coy.—182 (L/Cpl. Hung 41, L/Cpl. Mackay 39, Pte. Zimmern, F.R., 24, Lt. Anderson 21, Pte. Madar 22; Hatfield 3 for 45).

Middlesex.—141 for 9 (L/Cpl. Young 22, Pte. Cordery 38 not out, L/Cpl. Williams 29; Anderson 3 for 28).

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| Island                  | Feet. |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Victoria Peak           | 1823  |
| Signal Station          | 1774  |
| Mt. Parker              | 1734  |
| Mountain Lodge          | 1728  |
| The Eyrie               | 1728  |
| Peak Tram Station       | 1805  |
| Tai Koo Sanatorium      | 1000  |
| Mt. Davis               | 877   |
| Bowen Road (filterbeds) | 207   |
| Mainland                | Feet. |
| Tai Mo Shan             | 3124  |
| Kowloon Peak            | 1873  |

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# MOSCOW REVEALS A "SECRET"

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow, To-day.  
Official circles declare that M. Rudolph Holsti, head of the Finnish delegation to Geneva, is a "British espionage agent!"

They say that a British secret agent named Gover was tried in Leningrad in 1937 and admitted he had received from M. Holsti the names of spies operating in Soviet territory.

For the first time, it is revealed that a member of the Finnish Consulate in Leningrad was arrested early this year and it is alleged this arrested showed that the Finnish Consulate, carried on spying.  
"Krasnaya Zvezda," the organ of the Red Army, declares that the present situation is similar to that of 1920, when "the Imperialists intervened against the Soviets," and accuses the United States of participating in anti-Soviet activities.—Havas.

# GERMANY'S PLANS FOR POLAND

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

AMSTERDAM, TO-DAY.  
ACCORDING TO INDICATIONS IN GERMAN OFFICIAL QUARTERS, THE PLAN FOR THE FORMATION OF AN "INDEPENDENT POLISH STATE WHOSE POLICY IS IN HARMONY WITH GERMANY'S" HAS BEEN ABANDONED.

It is understood that the new formula envisages semi-autonomy somewhat on the lines laid down for Bohemia and Moravia, and it is intended to establish a "Governorate-General" with a capital at Cracow.

Regional administrative branches will be established at Warsaw, Radom and Lublin.—Havas.

# STRANGE U.S. RUMOURS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Washington, To-day.  
Rumours are in circulation here of negotiations under way between the Allies and Italy, designed to break the Axis link.

Important concessions would be required of Britain according to the rumours, which allege a proposal for the linking of Italian Libya with Ethiopia, by the cession of a wide strip of territory across the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.—Havas.

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Buenos Aires, To-day.  
Before the Graf Spee was destroyed five British planes flew over her.—Reuter.

London, To-day.  
Mr. Gordon Vereker, Acting Counsellor of the British Embassy in Moscow since 1937, who was in Peiping from 1923 to 1927, is believed to have been taken to Germany and detained there following the interception by a German warship of the steamer in which he was travelling to England.

Mr. Vereker left Moscow ten days ago on his way to England, whence he was going to Bolivia as British Minister.

He travelled to Tallinn in Estonia, where he boarded an Estonian ship for Stockholm. The ship, however, was intercepted and taken to Swinemund, where Mr. Vereker was taken off.—Reuter.

London, To-day.  
There now seems to be considerable doubt about whether the commander or officers of the Graf Spee died with the ship. According to a Buenos Aires report, a boat from an Argentine cruiser has picked up the captain and chief officers of the battleship.—Reuter.  
(This report may possibly mean that the boat has picked up the bodies).

## CHRISTMAS LEAVE IN THE B.E.F.

London, To-day.  
The first men of the B.E.F. to be given Christmas Leave left France for England aboard various transports yesterday.—Reuter.

## LIVELY ACTIVITY IN MOSELLE SECTOR

London, To-day.  
There was lively activity, of both infantry and artillery, east of the Moselle and in the Vosges sector, yesterday afternoon, but in the early evening, the front became quiet again.—Reuter.

## ANOTHER BOMBING RAID ON BORKUM

London, To-day.  
R.A.F. planes paid another visit to the Helligoland Bight yesterday and bombed the German seaplane base at Borkum.—Reuter.

London, To-day.  
Reports are conflicting as regards the fate of Captain Landsdorp. The New York Wireless states that the German Legation in Montevideo has announced that he went down with his ship. A Montevideo message states that the commander and the officers are reported to have perished when the battleship blew up. Buenos Aires radio says the last to leave the ship was her commander.—Reuter.

Subscriptions received for the British War Organisation Fund, Hong Kong Branch, now exceed \$300,000, the total being \$314,097.28. Among the items is \$129 from the Central British School, representing the sum that would normally spent on prizes at this time. The 8th Heavy Regt. R.A. subscribed no less than \$1,264.30.

Montevideo, To-day.  
The Graf Spee is sunk in 26 feet of water in the main anchorage, where she will be a serious hindrance to port traffic.  
There is great indignation here at this action. Many think that there will be an incident between the two countries because it is thought that the Graf Spee acted under orders from Berlin.  
As the Graf Spee settled down, escaping fuel oil caught fire and enveloped the superstructure in flames and an immense surface of the sea was illuminated. The fire burned itself out at 9.23 p.m. when a little of the battleship was showing above water.  
The dramatic effect of the flames was enhanced by constant explosions as the fire, which was also burning under water reached the shells.—Reuter.

Local Chinese banking circles were greatly perturbed to-day when Government ordered suspension of the sale of China National Saving Certificates in the Colony.

Permission for sale of these certificates was given to certain Chinese banks about a month ago. The Overseas Chinese Banking Corporation were the principal agents.

Questioned by the "China Mail" this afternoon, Mr. H. R. Butters, acting Financial Secretary, confirmed that the sale was this morning ordered to be stopped.  
"Owing to various legal difficulties which were not noticed at the beginning, Government has stopped the sale of the certificates. The matter is under consideration," stated Mr. Butters.

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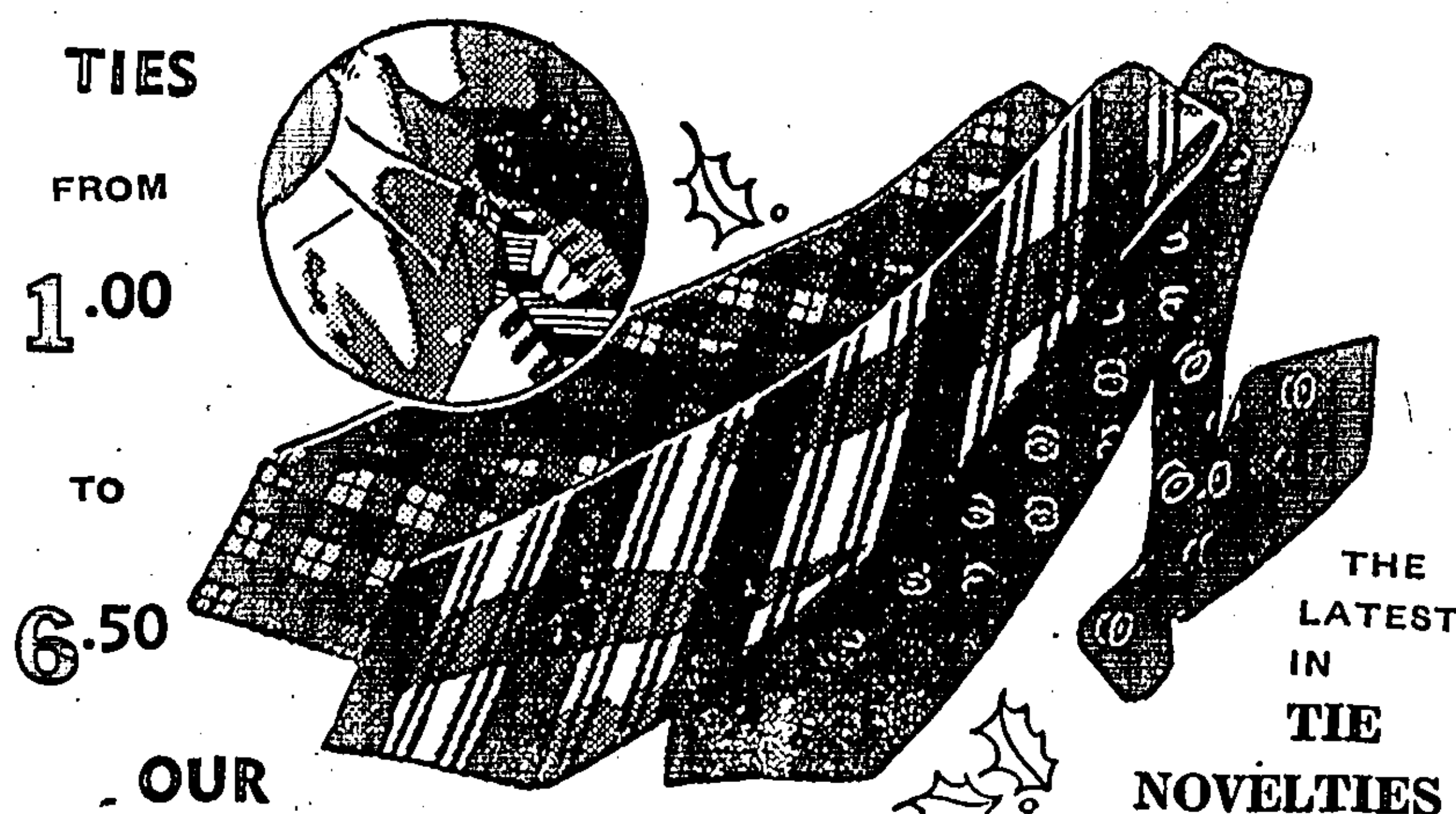
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